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Golden Anniversary Book of Story City

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Days Down to the Present



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D E D I C A T I O N

To Herbert C. Hoover, first Iowa born
president of the United States, the
Golden Anniversary Book of Story
City is respectfully dedicated.

Historical and Introductory

The reader has in his hands a copy of the Golden Anniversary Book of Story City. It has been compiled with the thought of bringing vividly to the minds of the present generation what has been accomplished here in the past fifty years; that is, since the town was incorporated in the year 1881; also to refresh the minds of older people of the days that have gone so swiftly.

While the history of the community really begins at a period over seventy-five years ago, the present thought is to emphasize our Golden Anniversary, as it was with the coming of the railroads in the early 80's that the present town began to take on the form which the generation of today recognizes as Story City.

However, one must recognize the importance of the years that preceded the incorporation of the town, as that was the formative period in which most of the men and women came to this community who were to set their stamp indelibly upon its future life.

SOME EARLY HISTORY

Story county was a part of Benton county in 1837 and even later. The present boundaries were established and defined in 1846. The county was named after the eminent jurist, Joseph Story, who was for a third of a century associate justice of the Supreme Court of the United States. The growth of the county in population is shown as follows:

Year	Population
1852	214
1855	1,568
1856	2,868
1864	5,000
1867	6,888
1875	13,311
1880	16,906
1890	18,127
1900	23,159
1910	24,083
1920	26,185
1930	31,141

The first settlements in what is now Lafayette township were made in the spring of 1852 by Robert Bracken, George and Daniel Prime, and John, Jesse and Samuel Smith, who located near the present site of Story City. In 1853 came James C. Smith

with his three sons, James, Isaac and Fletcher, and a son-in-law, Isaac Blades, Jonah Griffith, H. L. Boyes and Joseph Brouhard. N. N. Sheffield and LaCount Lambert built the first house at Story City. This house was erected by setting four crotches in the ground, covered with prairie grass and sided up with quilts and carpeting.

During 1856 a great many settlers came to the new country including Jonas Duea, Paul Thompson, Mons C. Grove, E. R. Sheldahl and others, and a small store was started at Story City (then Fairview) by a Mr. Jennis and a steam saw mill by Mr. House. A postoffice was established late in 1856 or early 1857, with Frederick W. Rhoades as postmaster. Rhoades was succeeded by Noah Harding, who retained the office until succeeded by Lars R. Larson, who was in turn succeeded by M. Swartout in 1886.

Story City was laid out as a town in 1878 and together with Fairview incorporated as Story City in December, 1881. Capt. W. A. Wier was elected mayor. Those who have held the office since follow in order: O. B. Peterson, C. W. Allen, H. R. Boyd, W. D. Gandrup, E. M. Harrington, W. A. Wier, T. T. Henryson, L. Sherven, E. L. Ericson, E. M. Harrington, M. O. Marvick, Alex Henderson, C. L. Johnson, J. H. Jacobson, H. E. Myrah and M. C. Townswick.

The first settlers came to this community largely from Indiana, New York and Pennsylvania. In 1855 and the following years began the stream of Norwegian settlers, largely from Illinois at first and then later direct from the old country. In the late 60's and early 70's our present Danish element had its beginning with immigrants direct from Denmark.

West of town, in the Mackey neighborhood, Germans settled about the same time, establishing a church two miles west of Mackey in 1876.

So it has come about that our citizenship has been made up largely of people from northern Europe, and the nature of our culture and enterprises has resulted from the reaction of these sturdy races to the opportunities afforded by a new country and liberal institutions. Of course, there

has been a good sprinkling of other nationalities, including "native Americans," who have taken their share—often a leading share—in the development of the town.

The first boatload of Norwegians who were later to settle in this community left Norway in 1847. The boat made the remarkable (at that time) speed of six weeks crossing the Atlantic. From New York the immigrants went by boat to Albany, then thru the canal to Buffalo, thence over the great lakes to Chicago, from where the rest of the journey was made by ox-team to their destination, Lisbon, Ill.

Of this large company the first ones to come to this part of Story county, in 1855, were Lars Sheldahl, Jonas Duea, Ole Thompson, John Mehus, Jacob Aske and John Tarvestad.

The same fall Torkel Henryson, Rasmus Aske, Erick Nelson and Jacob Brue came here, and in 1856 came a large company, including Rasmus and Erick Sheldahl, Rasmus Larson Tungesvig, etc. In 1857 came Osmond Henryson, Samuel Haaland, Knud Igland, John Charlson Hagen, Ole Braland, Anders Christenson, Peder Lars Tjernagel and Knud Helvig. In 1858 came Paul Thompson, Johannas Mathre, Knud Twedt, Lars Henderson and Baard Beroen.

The above are the earliest settlers on record coming from the Illinois colony. The following years the settlers came in throngs and the land was rapidly taken up. The first settlers bought the prairie land for \$1.25 an acre from the government—and much of it was dear at that price.

Torkel Henryson—who, by the way, had organized the company of immigrants which left Norway for Lisbon, Ill., in 1847—bought a section of land west of town and he kept selling off portions of it to pay taxes until he had only a quarter section left.

CAPT. WIER'S STORY

To bring the story of the community down to the time of the incorporation in 1881, we can do no better than reprint what Capt. W. A. Wier wrote for the Story County Atlas in 1902:

Lafayette township was organized about 1853, and comprised Congressional Township 85-24 and the west one-half of 85-23.

The soil is a rich black loam of

great depth and fertility, and well adapted to the growth of all the cereals of the temperate zone.

In 1858, the west half of 85-23, with the east half of said Township and range was organized as the township of Howard.

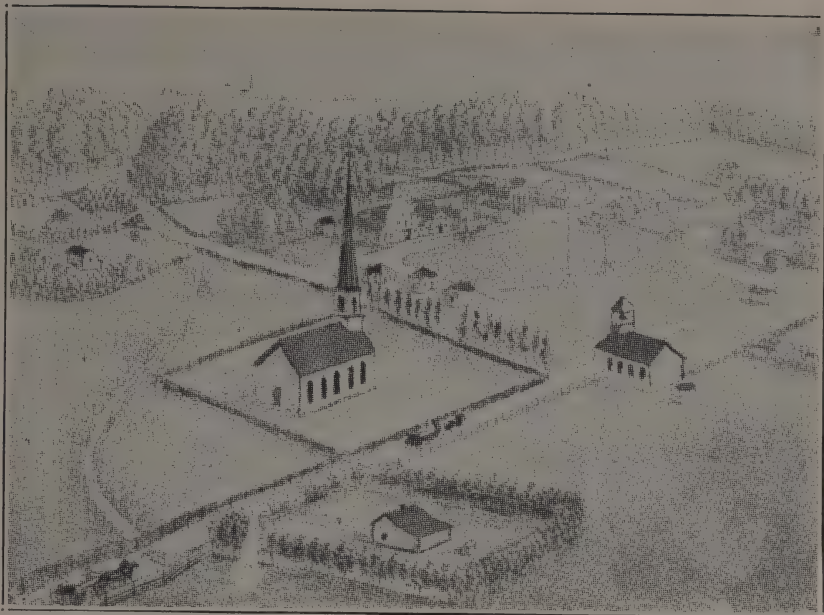
The surface of Lafayette township is gently rolling, except on the west along Keigley branch, and in the northeast along Skunk river, where it is somewhat hilly. The township is watered by Skunk river in the east, and Keigley branch in the western part. Skunk river enters the township near the northeast corner of section one, and twists in and out of the township with remarkable facility, finally leaving the township near its southeast corner. Keigley branch enters the township from the north, near the northwest corner of section five, and has a generally southeasterly course until it leaves the township in section thirty-six.

When the writer hereof settled in the township, 1856, there was a goodly amount of timber along the river consisting largely of white, burr, red and black oak, black walnut, butter-nut or white walnut, hard and soft maple, basswood or linden, cottonwood, honey-locust, ash, coffee-nut hickory, elm, etc., etc. Nearly all of the most valuable kinds have been used in fencing and building and what remains is valuable only for fuel.

Until about 1860 Skunk river was well stocked with fish: pike, pickerel, red-horse, buffalo, and several varieties of bass and catfish, furnished good sport to the angler, as well as a welcome addition to the bill of fare of the pioneer.

Keigley branch was also well stocked with pike and pickerel. Formerly, these streams were constant in their flow, but since the township has become thickly settled, and from the tilling and ditching of nearly all the land, requiring artificial drainage, Keigley branch is dry for most of the year, and Skunk river almost destitute of running water, except in the spring and at times of heavy rains.

The early settlers were hardy and healthy specimens of manhood and womanhood. Sickness was almost unknown and what little there was, nearly always readily yielded to the simple home treatment of the pioneer. I will, however, except the



STORY CITY AS AN INLAND TOWN

This picture was made from a drawing and shows the town as it looked in the 70's, before the advent of the railroads.



OLD LIVERY BARN

This barn was located on the lot now occupied by the Nash pool hall and was operated by George P. Johnson

ague and fever, which continued with us until most of the prairie had been brought under cultivation, when the disease gradually disappeared, and with it to a great extent, the quinine bottle. In its place, however, we now boast of a fair supply of all the fashionable ailments of modern society.

Fairview was the first town laid out and platted in Lafayette township, and comprised thirteen acres in the southwest corner of the southwest quarter of the northeast quarter of section twelve.

The promoters were D. M. Brown, George S. Prime and George W. Sowers. This was in 1855. The surveying was done in such a way that the north and south lines did not cross the east and west lines at right angles; this, however, was not discovered for two or three years, and later caused considerable confusion, and was finally settled only after a re-survey and some litigation.

When the writer came to Lafayette township, in 1856, as before stated, the only residents of Fairview were John J. Foot, who accommodated the traveling public, and Frederick W. Rhodes. There was a log house owned by Richard Jennis, unoccupied at that time, a small log blacksmith shop and a small residence partly finished; both the latter belonging to Wm. Estell. There was also the beginning of another house which never reached maturity.

At this time the residents of Lafayette township as I remember them were Francis Wier, Dr. Homer Cochran, Daniel Prime, Noah Harding, Robert Anderson, R. T. Anderson, J. S. Anderson, Frank Anderson, Robert Bracken, William Bracken, Perry Bracken, Joab North, Jonah Griffith, James Smith, Jesse Smith, Dr. Moses, John Smith, Isaac Blades, R. Ballard, R. W. Ballard, N. N. Sheffield and perhaps one or two others living on the east side of the river close to the timber line. West of the river were George W. Sowers, Wm. Estell, John Ring, George Ring, Richard Jennis, LaCount Lambert, George S. Prime, W. A. Wier, Rasmus Larson, Lars R. Larson, Erick R. Larson, Henry Burham, John Burham, William Burham, George Burham, Thomas Burham, F. W. Rhodes, Judson A. Rhodes, Wm. R. Doolittle, John Van Fossen and James F. Brown. These are all that

I can now recall, though there may possible have been a few others.

The pioneers were as a rule, not overburdened with "Book Larnin'," but for hard common sense, they were the peers of any. A more genial, generous, hospitable people were not to be found. Life here was anything but a "picnic" at that time.

The people strove to open up their farms, but all, or nearly all had arrived with little or no money, and their portable property consisted of what few household goods and farming implements they possessed had been hauled in the "prairie schooner" from Indiana, across unbridged rivers and almost trackless prairies. People had to go from forty to sixty miles to get their corn and wheat ground, and merchandise was hauled in wagons from Iowa City and Muscatine. The financial panic of 1856-57 added greatly to the troubles of the pioneers, in that it retarded immigration and development of this as well as other localities.

Money was almost unknown as a medium of exchange for a long time; the paper currency of which a few of the later arrivals had a very small amount, became worthless, only gold and silver would purchase goods. A notable exception was the bills of the "Bank of Nebraska," commonly called B. F. Allen's "Red Dog" money.

The bank was I think, located at Des Moines; and strange to relate, its notes were always equivalent to coin. Occasionally would be seen a bill on the "State Bank of Indiana" which every loyal Hoosier religiously believed was a little safer than a government bond.

The first saw mill in the township was built by D. M. Brown in 1855 on Skunk river. It was on section one. Brown sold it in 1856 to Dr. Homer Cochran, who spent a great deal of time and labor to make it a success, but the alluvial earth of the river banks would not permit the construction of a permanent dam, and the mill proved a failure. Early in 1856, a steam saw mill was brought here by a Mr. House, and for two or three months did considerable sawing; but for some reason unknown to the writer, the mill was suddenly moved away and was seen here no more. In order to meet the increasing demand for building lumber, George S. Prime



This picnic picture was taken in Kittle Olson's timber, across the river, in 1883. Many old timers will be recognized. To the left you will find Mr. and Mrs. Kittle Olson, Chris and Anna Johnson, Mrs. B. F. Allen, Phillips the first agent of the Iowa Central Ry., A. Idse holding Charlie Olson on his shoulders. Then in the center there are Emil Gandrup, Hans Dale, H. D. Gandrup, Christianson the painter, etc. To the right M. Swartout, Mrs. Swartout, Mrs. Corneliussen. The gang in front left includes Anton Olson (in bare feet), Albert Christensen, Nicolai Paulson

and Noah Harding, in the spring of 1857, bought and set up on land which is now a part of our City Park, a steam saw mill; the engine of eighteen horse power, and the saw of fifty-two inches diameter. This mill was capable of turning out from three to five thousand feet of lumber daily, and was worked to its full capacity. This mill continued in active operation until 1865, when it was sold and moved away. Since that time we have had to depend on the lumber yards at railroad stations for our supplies of lumber. Up to the time the Prime and Harding mill was moved away, the settlers had depended upon logs and lumber from this mill for their dwellings and other buildings, some of which are yet standing and habitable.

In 1857 a school house was erected on the public square in Fairview; the building was 20 x 24 feet, and was for some years the finest school house in north half of Story county. It was also utilized as a place for religious services and other public gatherings. The first school was taught by Ann Sutlief in the summer of 1856, and the log house of Richard Jennis was used for the purpose. The next term did not commence until the latter part of November, 1857; since which time the school has been well sustained and attended, and with gratifying results.

The postoffice was established early in 1857 and as the name of Fairview had already been appropriated by another town, the name Story City was chosen, and "Uncle Sam" kindly approving the same, we were soon favored with facilities for communicating with the rest of the world.

The principal source of the water supply for domestic purposes is from the artesian wells which are numerous all over the township, but especially so in and around Story City. The first well of this kind was drilled by Torkel Henryson about 1874, and has furnished an abundant supply ever since. Those having the greatest flow are the "Watkins" well about three miles south of Story City, and the one in the east part of Story City which furnishes the supply for the waterworks.

Story City was laid out as a town in 1878, and including Fairview, was incorporated in 1881. The first railroad to reach this place was the Des

Moines & Minnesota, and was of the narrow gauge variety. It was completed to this place January 1st, 1878, and gave us rail connection with the outer world via the Chicago & North-Western at Ames, and direct to Des Moines. Some years later this road was acquired by the C. & N.W. and the gauge widened to standard. Said company had expended a large sum in the improvement of this line, and today it is as fine a piece of road as any in Iowa. A branch of the Iowa Central railway was completed from Marshalltown to this place late in 1882.

Before we could secure either of the above named roads, we were asked to come down handsomely with bonuses and subsidies. This we had to do in order to secure them. They came high, but we were bound to have them. It was "hard sledding" for awhile, but none now regret their cost.

So much for Capt. Wier's interesting account of the early days.

LATER HISTORY

The original town of Fairview, fronting on the present town park, was laid out by a man by the name of French.

The town of Story City was fortunate in securing the services of an engineer, one Mr. Blair, an advance man of the coming railroad, to lay out the new plat. To this fact we owe our wide streets and the symmetrical form of the town. This Mr. Blair must have had a hunch that some day the automobile would need a lot of parking space, and he provided for the same.

When the town was incorporated in 1881 there was a population of 503 on the square mile covered by the town. The next census, in 1885, showed a population of 595. During the next few years the western fever made itself felt and many of our families started for Washington and Oregon, among them being the Allen, Oien, Swartout, Tesdall and Jensen families. Result: population of 1890 showed a loss, to 536.

Then came the 90's, starting out with the opening of one of the larger printing plants of the state, the Scandia Publishing Co., which printed papers in Swedish, Norwegian and English. This was the basis of a considerable boom and in 1895 the popula-



THE THOR OMVIG FAMILY

Back row—Anna Munsen, Lars, Ellen Malmanger, Emil, Inger Stout, Tom, Martha Malmanger, Martin

Front row—Bertha Sylvester, Mr. and Mrs. Omvig, John T.



THE AUSTIN SEVOLD FAMILY

Back row—Anna Egemo (d), Nels, Martin, Hannah and Nellie.

Front row—Gertrude Axelton, Oscar, Mr. A. Sevold (d), Mrs. A. Sevold.



THE SAM ESPE FAMILY. Upper row—Clara, Helen, Peder, Christine, Caroline.
Lower row—Mr. Espe, Austin, Alfred, Mrs. Espe

tion went to 837, and in 1900 to 1197.

In this period the newer generation had come into swing, and the population continued to grow, and was 1461 in 1905. About this time the emigration to Minnesota and the Dakotas was getting into motion and dozens of our families started out to make their homes in the new states, with the result that in 1910 the census showed us in another small slump, 1387.

In 1908 the businessmen of the town organized the Commercial Club, now called the Greater Community Congress, for a co-ordinated effort at community building. It was soon evident that this was a movement that was to mean much to the town. Gradually the spirit of accomplishment took possession of the people, with the result that in one year, 1913, twenty-five fine residences were erected, also the old people's home and sanitarium, the opera house and hotel, the creamery building and the corner bank building. The following years brought the two fine stone churches, First National bank building, the Gandrup drug store and several garages. So, in 1920, our population had grown to 1591.

The 1930 census gives us a population of 1433. Part of this loss is due to the fact that some years ago the larger portion of the farm lands were "divorced" from the town. This was done in order to get township money for the graveling and upkeep of the abutting roads. The loss in population from this cause was about 75. The balance of the loss is due to the fact that families have of late years become noticeably smaller, not only in the town but in the strictly rural districts.

STORY TOLD IN PICTURES

The pictures in this Golden Anniversary Book tell the story of fifty years of progress. There is the picture of the street scene in 1885, with the wagons and buggies on the mud street. And it was a real mud street, too, in the rainy seasons, and many a farmer had a hard time backing his team out from the hitching post.

Then there are the pictures of some of our early families. Some of these photographs were taken fifty years ago and show the generation that started things out here on the Iowa

prairies and the youngsters who were so soon to take their places. By no means all the families of the early days are shown: this would, of course, be impossible in a book with the limitations set for this one. Those shown have largely been made possible thru the co-operation of descendants living in the community.

A large section of the book is taken up with pictures of the Story City of Today. This is not complete, either, as in several instances there has been no response to an appeal for pictures. On the whole, however, we believe it will be generally recognized that the Golden Anniversary Book is representative of the town and community of the past and the present, and should prove interesting to those of the present generation, as well as of those to come.

The original intention was to have 128 pages of pictures and 32 pages of reading matter in the book. As the photographs kept coming we had to add 32 pages to the book, and finally cut down on the reading matter. We did this all the more readily, as we felt that folks like to "read" pictures—and then we found that when one comes to writing a history of the community it would take a large book to go into details. So we have contented ourselves with a brief outline, as you find it in the preceding pages. No doubt, we are to have, in due time, a more complete historical account of the settlement and progress of the community from an abler pen than ours.

IN CONCLUSION

Perhaps no one is more aware of the faults of this book than the publisher. He knew that he was tackling a big job, and so it proved to be. That it is as near complete as it is, is due to the co-operation of many local people, as well as several at a distance. We regret any imperfections that have occurred in the compilation and printing of the Golden Anniversary Book, but we take satisfaction in the fact that it is by far the most comprehensive work of the kind ever undertaken in this community. Perhaps no community in Iowa can show anything like it. And, at any rate, it may prove the foundation of a still more complete history in the years to come.



MR. AND MRS. A. McCAMMON

The former was for many years blacksmith in our community.



THE LINDSEY SOWERS FAMILY

Standing: Pliny, Mary (Hughes), Pearly, Guy.
Sitting: Mrs. Sowers, Mr. Sowers, Albert, Charles



THE HERALD "FAMILY" OF 1903

Front—Eugene and A. K Grafton. Rear—Harry Mason, Julia Nygaard,
Chas. Bartlett, Daisy Lockwood and "Kid" Raynes



CASSEM & JENSEN'S STORE

This is the building which replaced the livery barn. Some well known people are shown on the picture. There is H. Halleland in the foreground, and in the doorway the clerk in the store, Mabel Tendeland (now Mrs. Alex Henderson) is shown. (Photo taken in late 90's).



TORKEL HENRYSON FARM HOME

One of the early residences of the community. The picture was taken nearly sixty years ago, and in it are seen every member of the family.



LINDSEY SOWERS FARM HOME

This farm home on the county line north of Story City was one of the early places of interest



RASMUS LARSON TUNGESVIG FAMILY

Sons and daughters of a well known early family of the community—complete with the exception of Erick Larson, who happened to be absent when picture was taken. Back row—Sam Larson, Jacob Jorgenson, Rev. Jukam, Mike Hegland. Middle row—Mrs. Sam Larson, Mrs. J. Jorgenson, Mrs. Jukam, Mrs. M. Hegland. Front row—Mrs. L. R. Larson, L. R. Larson, Mrs. Tungesvik, Mrs. Halvor Larson, Halvor Larson.



THE OLD NORTHWESTERN DEPOT

A reminder of the days when folks traveled by rail, instead of by rubber.



MR. AND MRS. ERICK LARSON
Pioneer citizens. Photo taken at Golden
Wedding in Ihlen, Minn., Dec. 31, 1911



FOUR GENERATIONS OF R. W. BALLARD FAMILY
R. W. Ballard, Mrs. Eliza Wier, Mrs. Lula Sheffield and Lorene Housner



G. A. KALSEIM FAMILY

Front row—Alma Peterson, Mr. Kalseim, Mamie, Mrs. Kalseim, Gertie Larson. Back row—Vivian, Robert, Cornet, Gayly, Effie and Arthur.



SEVEREIDES OF STORY CITY

Front row, left to right—Johannes Severeide and wife Bertha, Eric J. Peterson, Rasmus Thorson, Eric Thorson, Mrs. Ingeri Severeide Thorson, Miss Ingeborg Severeide. Back row—Mrs. Siri H. Frette, Torgert E. Rafdal, Mrs. Kari T. Henderson, Samuel Severeide, E. L. Severeide, Ingeborg K. Severeide, A. O. Severeide, Lars K. Severeide, Knute Severeide, Kari H. Hovland, Hilje Ericson, Lars Severeide, Mrs. Ragnhild S. Jacobson.

The above group are those who have immigrated from Severeide in Skaaneviks prestegjeld, Norway. There are many more than these in America, but these are those who live in Story City and vicinity. (Since picture was taken, many of those shown have departed to the better land)



JOHN S. SANDSGAARD FAMILY

Front row—Ella Hoversten, John S. Sandsgaard, Joseph S. Mrs. John Sandsgaard, Sena West. Back row—James, Mary, Sverdrup, John Jr., Isabelle West, and Selmer.



MR. AND MRS. FREDERICK OLSON

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Early Settlers North of Town



MR. AND MRS. OWEN OWENSON
Were Pioneers North of Town



MR. and MRS. E. L. SEVEREID
Wedding Picture

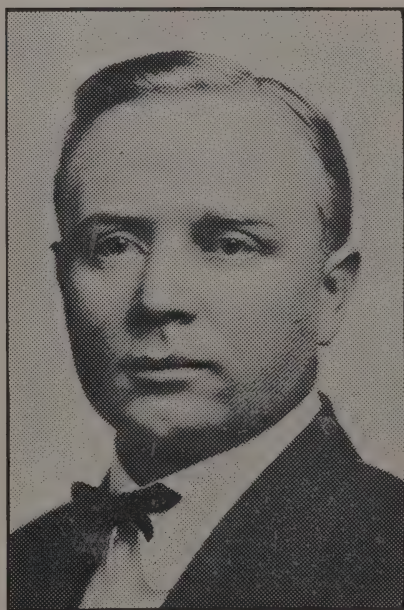


MRS. TORRES OLSON
Picture taken in 1881, when she was
16 years old



MR. AND MRS. INGEBRIT
INGEBRITSEN

They came here in 1867.
Mr. Ingebritsen died in 1905 and
Mrs. Ingebritsen in 1915.



PROF. J. H. FRANSDEN
Head of Dairy department of Massa-
chusetts State college at Amherst.



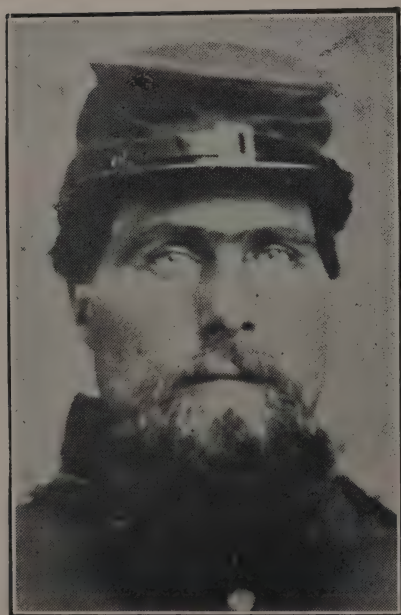
TORKEL HENRYSON

An early leader in community
affairs



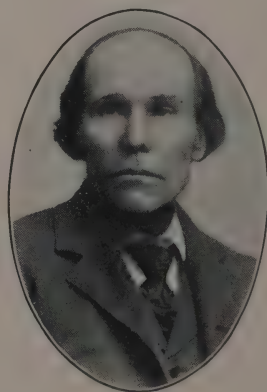
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One of our sterling pioneers



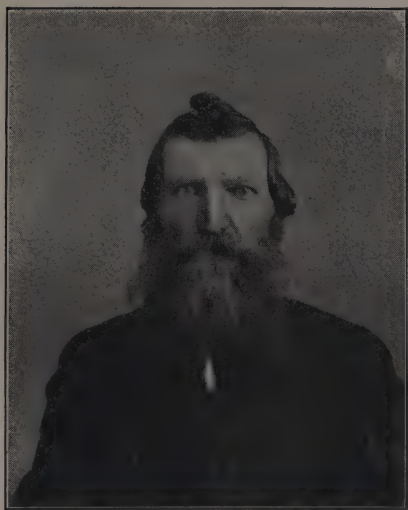
L. J. MATHRE

Civil war veteran



KNUTE PHILLOPS

Pioneer Settler Northeast of Town



SOREN CHRISTIANSEN

Early Settler



ANDREW H. JACOBSON



JOHN BUTLER

Early Lumber and Grain Man



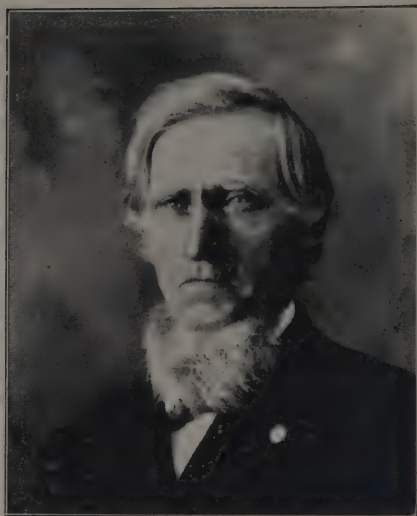
J. C. JOHNSON

Has lived here longer than any
other Dane, he says



FRANCIS WIER

Came to Story county in 1856
Died in 1892



L. J. RITLAND

Was long prominent in north
Story county affairs



THE SAM LARSON FAMILY

Seated: Mr. Larson, Maggie and Mrs. Larson, two children Ida and Justus
Rear: Rasmus, Lewis, Gerhard, Gurina, Henry. (Right to left)



DR. C. W. ALLEN FAMILY

Mr. and Mrs. Allen came to Story City in the 80's and lived here about 20 years, and then moved to California. The picture shows their children, Carleton, Mary and Gladys.



L. C. BALDUS, MRS. LOUISA WIRTH, T. B. BALDUS
(Among the first to be born in this part of Story county)



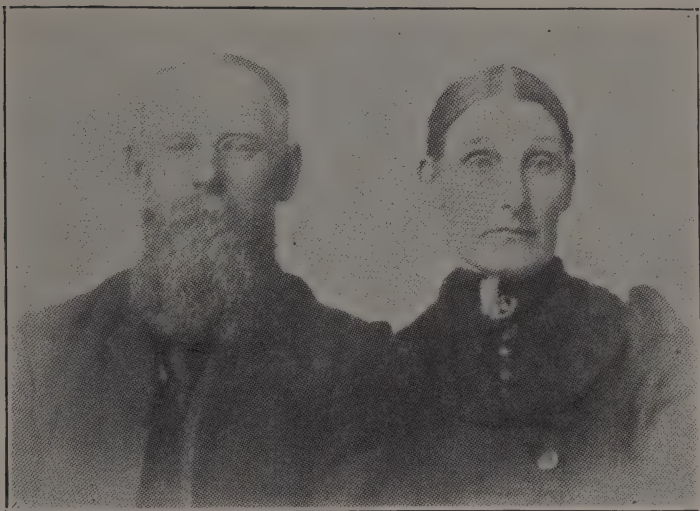
THE O. A. L. TJERNAGEL FAMILY

Front row, left to right—Bertha, Mrs. Tjernagel, Gustav, Mr. Tjernagel and Martin. Back row—Lewis, Peter, Nehemiah and Henry
(Picture of 45 Years Ago)

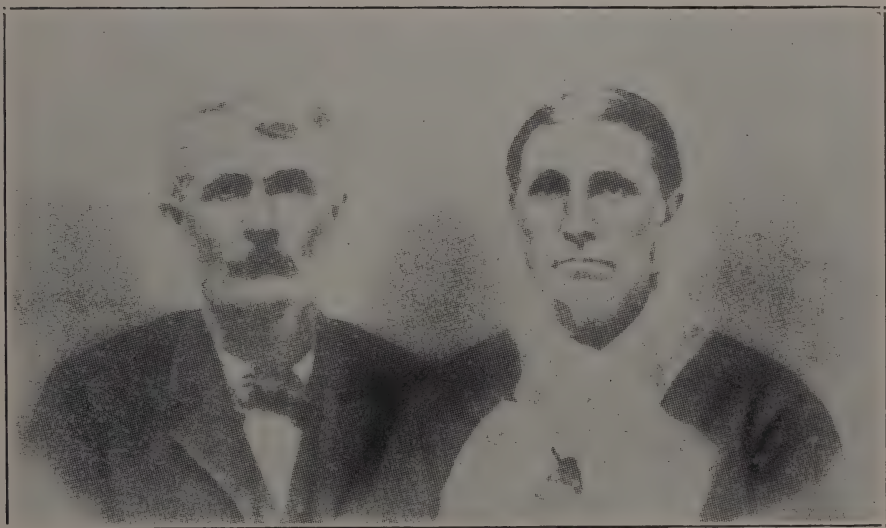


THE SOREN ANDERSON FAMILY

Standing—Bert, Abe, Carl, Edward, Severin. Sitting—Mrs. Emma Hill, Clara, Mr. and Mrs. Anderson, Martin, Mrs. Mary Hanson



MR. AND MRS. JAMES F. BROWN
Pioneers South of Story City



MR. AND MRS. W. R. DOOLITTLE
Pioneers Southeast of Town



NELSON-ERICKSON FIVE GENERATIONS

Mrs. Sarah Nelson (Tarvestad) Mrs. E. K. Erickson, Joseph Erickson,
Gaylord Erickson



FOUR GENERATIONS OF BALDUS FAMILY

The late Theodore Baldus and his son John, seated, with the latter's
son, Milford, and baby standing



MR. AND MRS. PETER
BICKELHAUPT

Adopted Son in Front
Nephew, Arthur Nash, in Rear



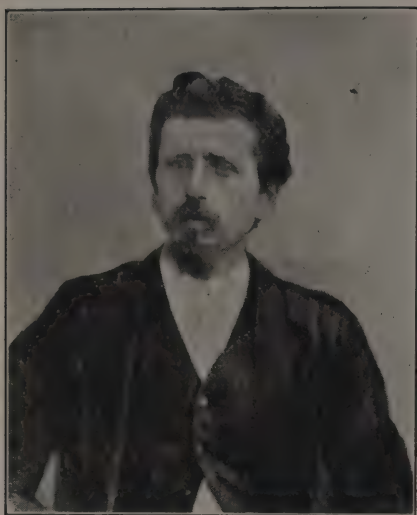
MR. and MRS. M. D. NASH

Pioneer citizens, now gone to
their reward



FOUR GENERATIONS OF O. B. PETERSON FAMILY

Seated, left to right—Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Peterson holding their great grandchildren, Erma Marie Triplett and Betty Jean Triplett. Standing, left to right—Mrs. Ina (Johnson) Triplett, a granddaughter and Orville Triplett, her husband; P. J. Johnson and Kristina (Peterson) Johnson, a daughter.



JOHN OSWALD



MRS. JOHN OSWALD

Early Settlers West of Town. Mrs. Oswald is still living.

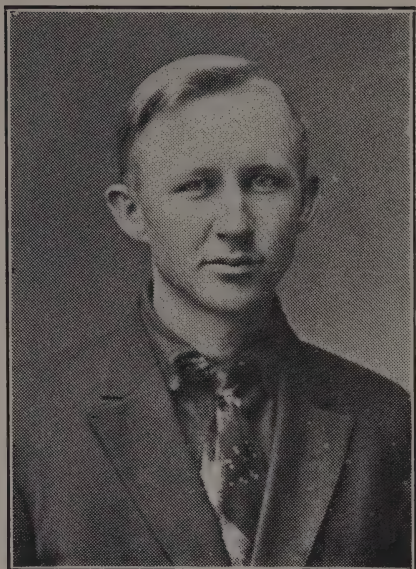


BIRDSEYE VIEW OF THE TOWN IN 1900

STORY CITY BOYS WHO GAVE THEIR LIVES IN WORLD WAR



Clifford Cate, Feb. 1, 1918



Andrew Peterson, Oct. 4, 1918



Christian Karlson, Oct. 17, 1918



Milton Goins, May 1, 1918



Hans Abrahamson, Sept. 23, 1918



Henry Larson, Oct. 10, 1918



Cornelius Twedt, Nov. 30, 1918



Clifton Wier, Oct. 4, 1918



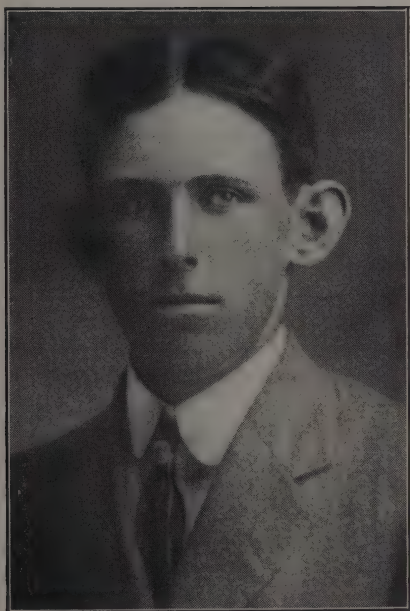
Andrew Boyd, Oct. 10, 1918

How sleep the brave who sink to rest
By all their country's wishes blest!
When Spring, with dewy fingers cold,
Returns to deck their hallowed mold,
She there shall dress a sweeter sod
Than Fancy's feet have ever trod.

By angel hands their knell is rung,
By forms unseen their dirge is sung;
There Honor comes, a pilgrim grey,
To bless the turf that wraps their
clay;

And Freedom shall awhile repair,
To dwell a weeping hermit there!

—Collins.



Clarence Olson of Randall



Peter S. Bratteland of Randall



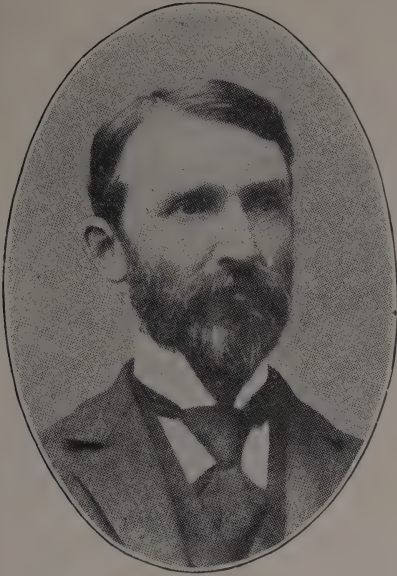
FIVE GENERATIONS OF WIER FAMILY

Left to right—C. F. Wier, Mrs. Matson, baby Vernon Matson,
Mrs. Lula Sheffield, Mrs. W. A. Wier



SWELLAND-QUAM FIVE GENERATION

Seated—Charlotte (baby), Mrs. Hazel Hia, Mrs. Carrie Swelland.
Standing—Mrs. J. S. Jacobson, Mrs. Sam Larson



S. R. CORNELIUSSEN

In mercantile business 40 years



JOHN SWAN

Our miller and banker from
an early day



CAPT. W. A. WIER

First mayor of incorporated
town of Story City

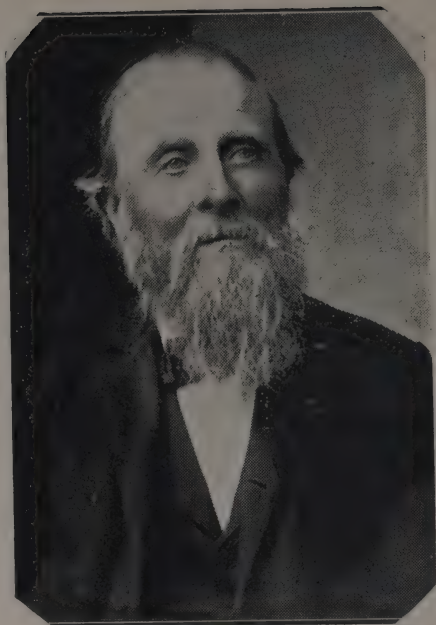


CHRIS CHRISTENSEN

He made and repaired boots and
shoes for 40 years



LARS HENDERSON



HALVOR LARSON



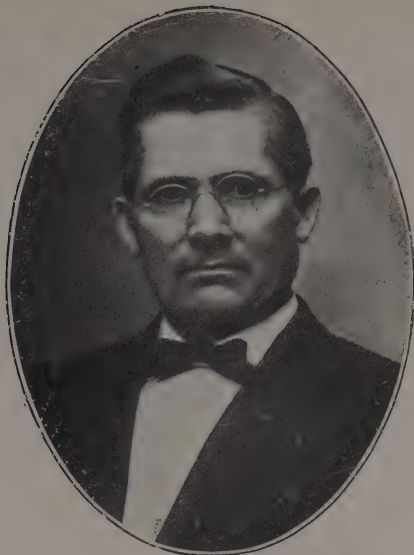
THE LARS HENDERSON HOMESTEAD

Part of this house was erected prior to 1856. House still in use.
The picture shows members of the Henderson family



JOHN GJESTON

For many years connected with the
S. R. Corneliussen store



R. G. RAYNES

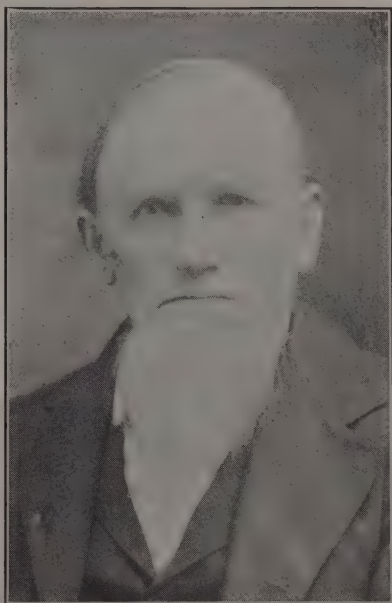
Old time baker in Story City

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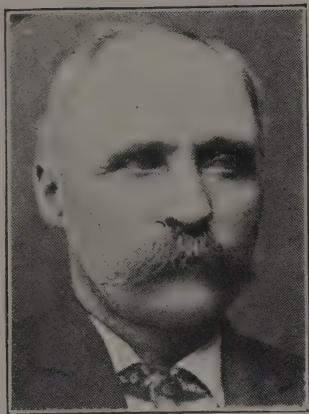
VIGGO JENSEN

For many years a citizen of
Story City



ANDERS S. NESSA

Lived north of Story City for many
years. Died in 1917.



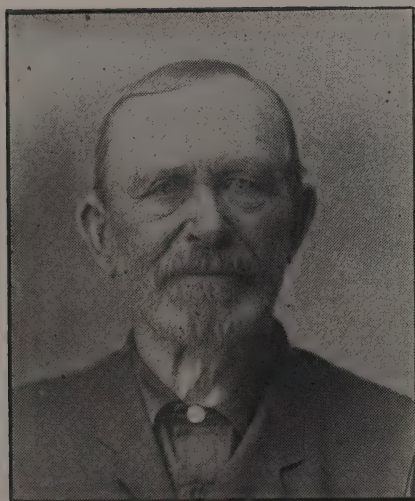
OSCAR HENDERSON

A well known pioneer citizen who
passed away a few years ago



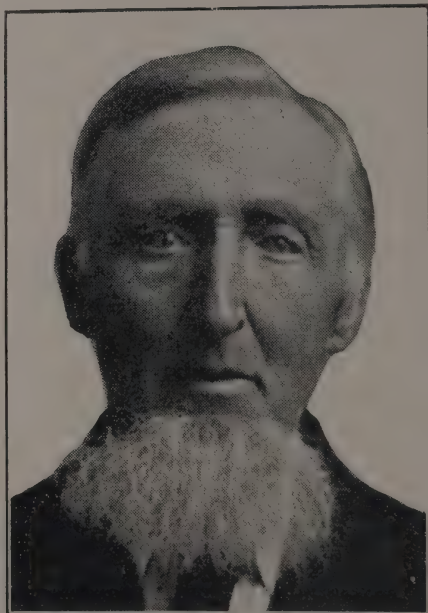
ANNA MATHRE

In millinery business here a
number of years



ANDREW TUTTLE

Pioneer resident of this and
Roland neighborhood

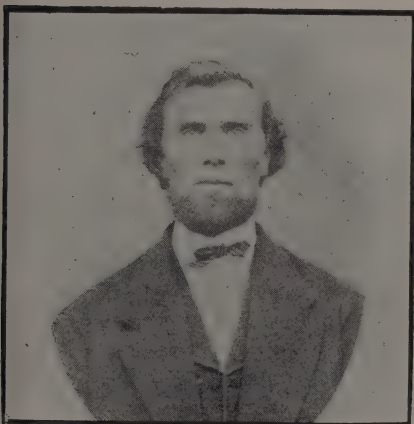


TORGER LEIN

Came to Story City in the 80's



THE M. O. MARVICK FAMILY. Standing: Albert, Mrs. Millie House, Seward, Linnie. Seated: Mr. and Mrs. M. O. Marvick



NELS TORRESON

Carried the mail from Nevada to
Lakin's Grove 1869 to 1879



MRS. NELS TORRESON



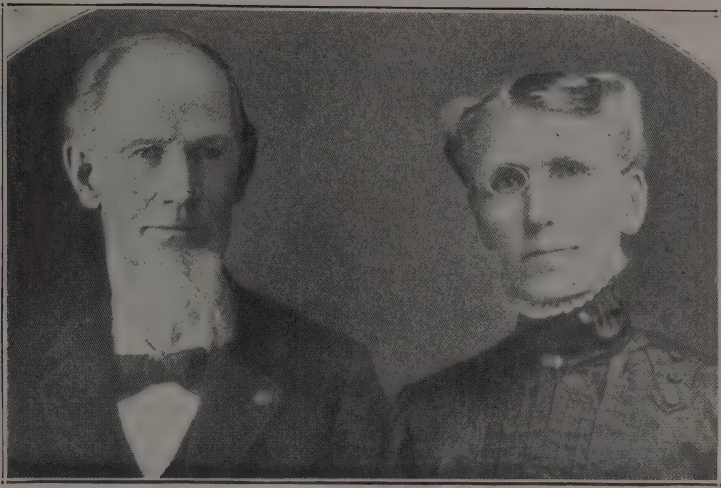
PEDER OLSON CARPENTER SHOP AND RESIDENCE

Photo taken in 1893. Front of shop: Lars Hill, Peder Olson, and R. M. (Charlie) Olson. On porch: Lina and Josie (the twins), Mrs. Olson. At gate: Mary. On tricycle: Bertha and Petra.



FOUR GENERATIONS OF HENRYSON'S and ANDERSON'S

Seated—Mrs. Torkel Henryson, Mr. Torkel Henryson, and Mrs. John O. Anderson. Standing—Oliver T. Henryson and the twin boys, Orville A. and Howard S. Anderson.



MR. AND MRS. H. F. FERGUSON
Both Pioneer Citizens. Died in California last year.



FOUR GENERATIONS OF MARVICK-HANSON FAMILY
Mrs. S. Marvik, Mrs. Mary Hansen, Mrs. L. B. Lund and baby



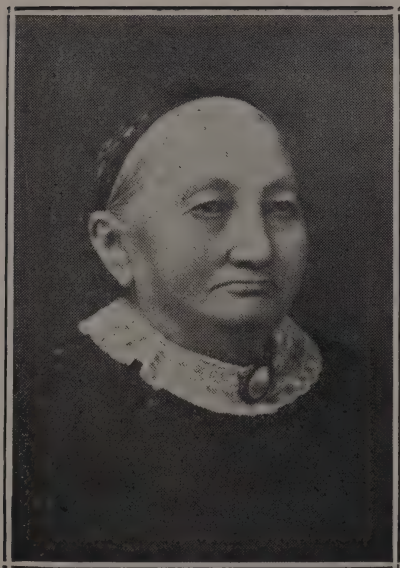
O. O. OSTREM

One of our active businessmen of 50
years ago, and later of Jewell.
Now retired



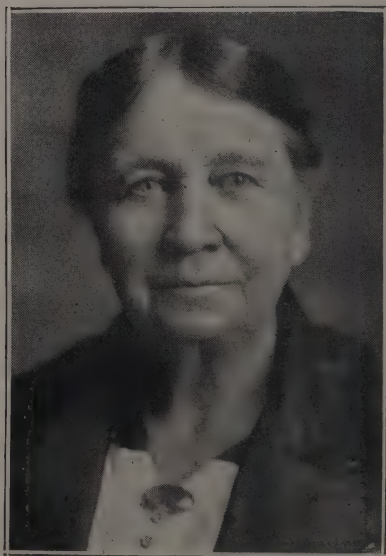
MRS. O. OSTREM (nee Knutson-Obe)

Died several years ago



MRS. KAREN JENSEN

Died recently at high age



MRS. BETSY BOYD

Pioneer Woman
Living here



NOAH HARDING
Second postmaster
of the town



M. SWARTOUT
Published first paper here in early
80's. Later postmaster. Living at
Everett, Wash., since 1887.



MAIN STREET IN 1885

This picture was taken by Martin Morrison, well known stereopticon picture taker of the 80's. This was the horse and buggy age, for sure



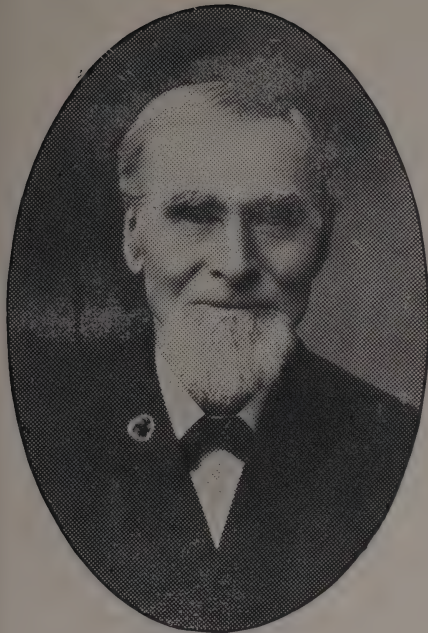
THE HANS AMLUND FAMILY

Standing—Bernard, Magretha Jorgenson, Gudmond, Sophia Mathre, Henry.
Seated—Mr. Amlund, Mrs. Amlund, Mrs. Evelina Havneros. Children: Hanna
Ingebritsen and Nora Townswick



THE HENRY BICKELHAUPT FAMILY

Back row—Laura (deceased), Peter, Henry W., Andrew, Rosie Nelson. Front
row—Martha Jensen, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bickelhaupt, Tillie Hanna.



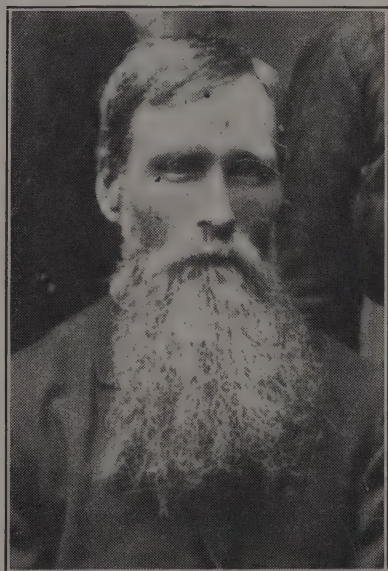
THOR ERICSON



MRS. THOR ERICSON
Early Settlers South of Town



FRED KOKEMILLER
Lived many years west of
Story City



CHRIS TORKELSON
Civil war veteran



SAMPSON WIER

A son of Francis Wier and born
here in pioneer days



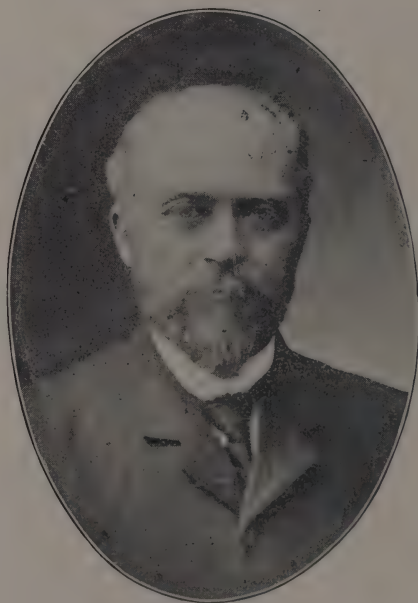
C. J. CHARLSON

He was prominent farmer
east of town



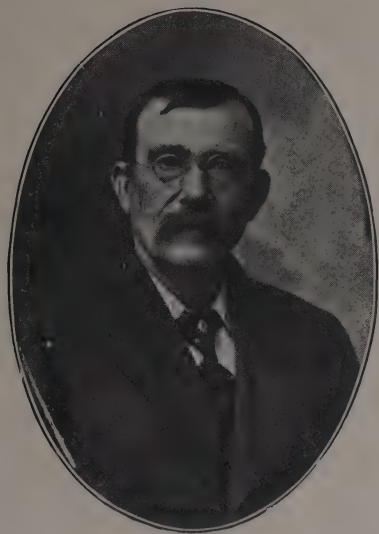
JAS. JACOBSEN

For many years dealer in
hardware and implements



A. N. TORP

Photographer for many years
in Story City



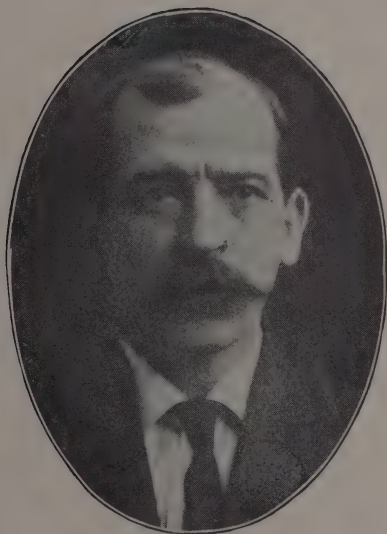
OLE JONDALL

Our old time furniture man
Died in 1930



M. J. JORGENSEN

One of our pioneers
Died in 1930



GRANT MYERS

For many years a shoe maker here



N. M. NELSON

Known for many years as landlord
of the Nelson House



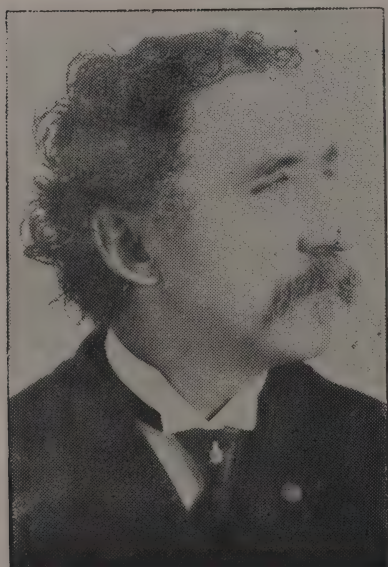
L. R. LARSON

For 24 years Postmaster of
the town



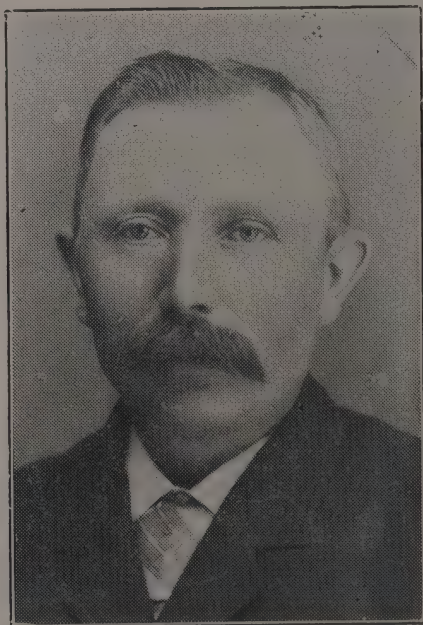
PETER A. HERMANSON

Came Here in 1871. Died in
1916 at age of 84



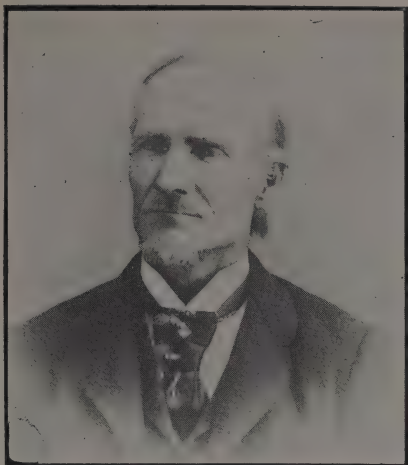
T. J. MOSES

Civil war veteran



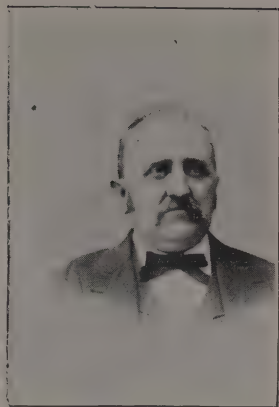
LEWIS NELSON

With Geo. P. Christenson of
Randall many years



PEDER OLSON

Came to Story City in 1873 and
carpentered for 25 years



W. D. GANDRUP

His son and grandson now running
drug store he started in early 80's



FLORENSE BALDUS

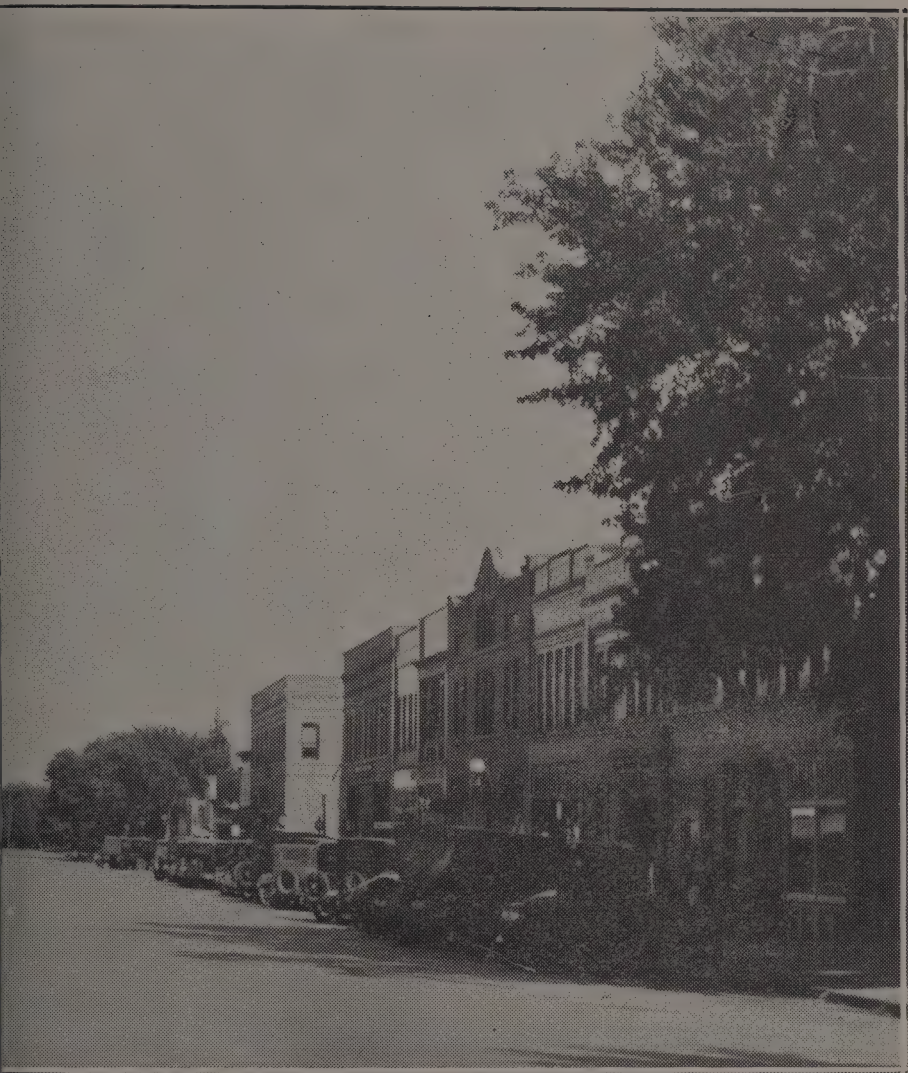
First blacksmith, came here in 1859
and died in 1869



WILLIAM BALDUS

Came here in 1857 and
died in 1896



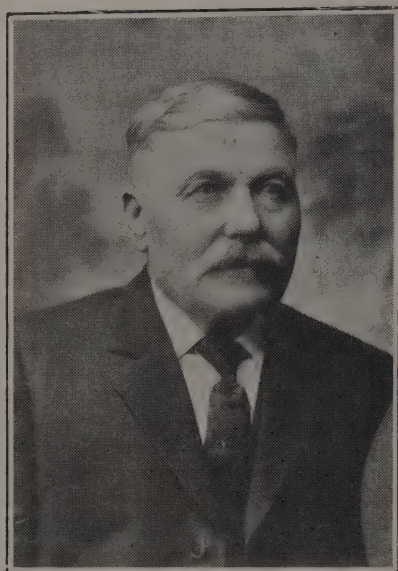




JOSEPH MARWICK
Business man and banker



E. G. WIGGINS
Well known restaurant man



T. T. HOLM
First harness man and then in
hardware business 25 years

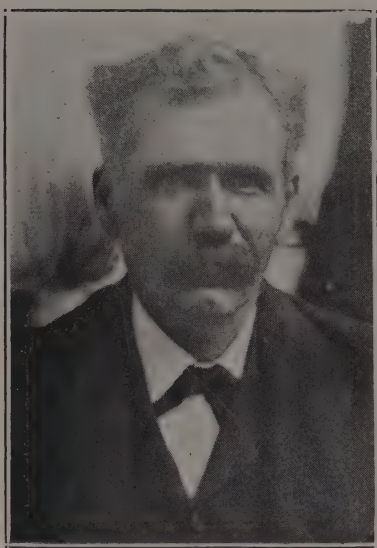


H. O. HANSON
Was head of Hanson Studio
for 25 years



ANDREW LANGLAND

For many years contracting
carpenter



ERICK K. ERICKSON

(Mrs. Erickson is shown in a
five generation picture)



LARS P. ANDERSON

Well known for many years as
our genial drayman



LARS HILL

Connected with cooper shop for
a generation



MRS. A. N. TORP



MRS. ALETE JORSTEAD (nee Olson)

Came to Story City in 1873



MRS. GEORGE BOYD SR.

Pioneer Woman
(Now Deceased)



MRS. J. JORGENSON

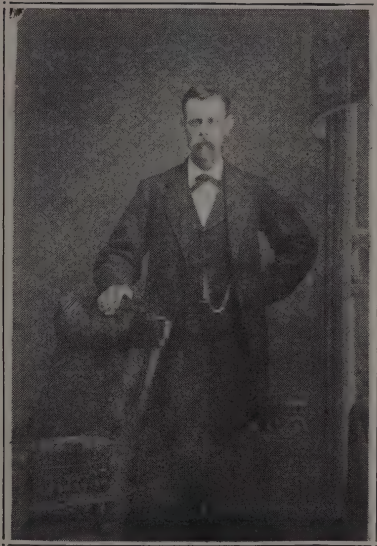
Pioneer Woman
(Now Deceased)



MRS. R. W. BALLARD
(nee Sheffield)



MRS. PERRY BRACKEN
Now of Archer, Iowa



JOHN CARLSON

Was carpenter here in the early 80's.
Went west and not heard of since



THE N. B. JACOBS FAMILY

Rear: Lillie and Carl Jacobs
Center: Nels B. Jacobs, Edwin, Mrs.
Marie Jacobs. Front: Stena



DR. B. F. ALLEN



MRS. B. F. ALLEN

Prominent in City Life in 70's and 80's



ONE OF OUR LIVERY BARNs

Built by Emil Gandrup 30 years ago and just
now being replaced by oil station



FAMILY GATHERING AT E. J. PETERSON HOME,
NORTH OF STORY CITY, 20 YEARS AGO



HEGLAND FAMILY

Mr. Hegland was associated with Mr. Normann in mercantile business in the early 70's. Moved to Kansas in an early day.



MR. AND MRS. RASMUS LARSON
TUNGESVIG

Pioneer Citizens



CLASS OF '98, FIRST GRADUATES OF S.C.H.S. Standing—Elmer Charlson, Lillie Tendeland, Prof. A. R. Gardner, Severie Hanson, Bessie Swan. Seated—Helga Sherven, Linnie Marvick, Gertrude Jennings and Sarah Boyd



WHEN OUR FIRST BRICK BUILDING WENT DOWN

While repairing basement wall of the business block erected in 1879 the east wall gave way. This occurred in the year 1903. A new building was erected, now occupied by Alsager Bros. meat market and the Teig clothing store.



RE-UNION OF RIVERSIDE BAND IN 1929

Seated—M. L. Henderson, P. J. Christenson, Peter Tjernagel, A. M. Henderson, Tom Larson. Standing—Judge O. J. Henderson, M. O. Tjernagel, N. Tjernagel, Alex Henderson, John Anderson (not member), Lewis Ingebritson, Rev. Henry Tjernagel, Michas Henderson, Albert E. Henderson.



THE "ORIGINAL" FERRIS WHEEL

This wheel was quite an attraction at the Fourth of July celebrations in Christytown in the 90's. Some claim that Mr. Ferris got his idea from it for his giant wheel at the Chicago World's Fair in 1893—but probably it was the other 'way around.



MR. and MRS. CHRIS NELSON
Identified with Story City business
life 50 years ago. Now live in Mor-
ris, Illinois.



MR. and MRS. SAMUEL H. OLSON
This is their wedding picture taken
half a century ago



MR. AND MRS. E. L. SEVEREID FAMILY

Standing, left to right—Randie (Mrs. J. B. Crowe), Joseph, Emelia, Alfred, Ellen (Mrs. Clifford J. Eby). Seated—Osmund, Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Severeid, Eddie. Inset—Charles. The Severeid family lived on the farm four miles northwest of town from the late 70's to 1907, when they moved into town. Mr. Severeid died in 1920, but Mrs. Severeid is still with us.



COMMERCIAL CLUB DIRECTORS OF 1910

Front row—T. T. Henryson, H. N. Donhowe, A. M. Henderson, M. O. Marvick, Paul A. Olson, and Gustav Amlund.
 Center Row—A. G. Larson, John Donhowe, Geo. S. Tokheim, S. R. Corneliussen, Daniel Johnson, and T. T. Holm.
 Back row—B. T. Holm, Alex Henderson, Dr. C. B. McCarty, Sampson Wier and Ole S. Wiersen.



THE H. B. HENRYSON-BEROEN FAMILY

Standing: Lewis, Mrs. C. L. Johnson, Henry and Annas
Seated: Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Henryson-Beroen



MR. and MRS. L. B. LUND
Now of London, Minn.



You Could Play Water Polo on the Ball Diamond



Fortunately the Park Tables Are Made of Cement



Band Stand Afloat and Refreshment Stand "Damp"



The End of a Perfect Street

WHEN SKUNK RIVER COVERED THE PARK IN JUNE, 1918



EVANGELICAL CHURCH, BUILT IN 1882



THE IMMANUEL CHURCH, BUILT IN 1898



THE ST. PETRI CHURCH IN OLDEN DAYS



BETHEL CHURCH BEFORE BASEMENT WAS BUILT



MR. AND MRS. GEORGE LARSON

Mr. Larson was town's first auctioneer; prominent as farmer and businessman



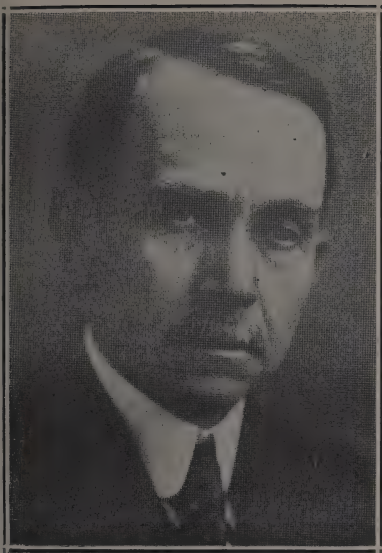
H. R. BOYD

Mr. Boyd was in hardware business for many years; later sheriff of Story county, and mayor of Story City.



MRS. H. R. BOYD AND SISTERS

In the picture are: Mrs. Boyd, Mrs. Kate Cutler and Mrs. Rissie Covert.



WM. E. BRIGGS

first banker. He started business in building 8x24 and \$300 capital. Lives in Minneapolis now.



HENRY T. HENRYSON

In business in Story City many years, then county treasurer, organizer of First Savings Bank and now residing in Chicago.



THE A. C. FRANDSON FAMILY

Standing—Theodore, Dr. Edward C., Dr. Hulda Rice, Prof. J. H., Mrs. Mathilda Hanson, Mrs. Catherine Hanson, Albert. Seated—Mrs. Lillie Born, Mr. Frandson, William, Mrs. Frandson, Mrs. Millie Sorenson. In front—Arthur and Mrs. Clara Hanson.

FOUR OF OUR FORMER MAYORS



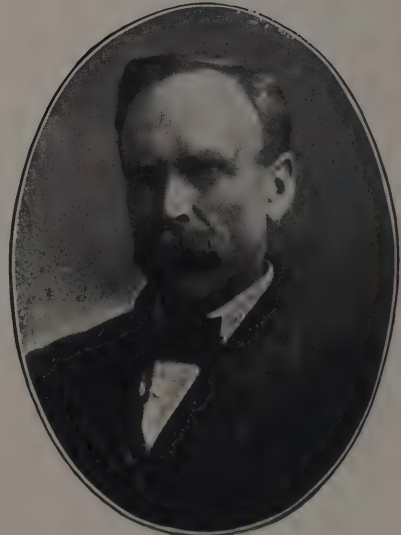
M. O. MARVICK
Now of Minneapolis



ALEX HENDERSON
Now of Ames



C. L. JOHNSON



J. H. JACOBSON
(Died in 1930)



THE S. J. NESSA FAMILY

Photo taken in 1929. Mr. Nessa has been agent for the M. & St. L. Ry. since 1897, and in Story City since 1910. In the picture are Mr. and Mrs. Nessa and their daughters Stella, Florence and Ethel



ANDREW ANDERSON AND
FAMILY

Will be remembered by the old-timers. Mrs. Anderson was a daughter of Mr. Miller.



MR. and MRS. TOM J. QUAM
of Story City



SPRINGMANS OF FOUR GENERATIONS

H. M. Springman, Eda (Johnson) Sowers, Mrs. Martin N. Johnson,
Beverly Sue Sowers



FOUR GENERATIONS OF ANNA JOHNSON FAMILY

Mrs. Anna Johnson, K. F. Johnson, John A. Johnson and baby Anna



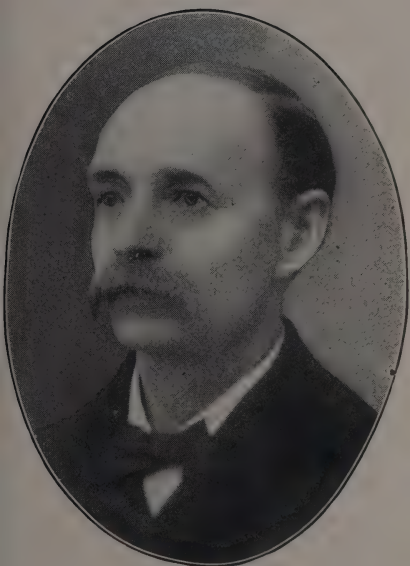
DR. C. B. McCARTY

Dentist here for 25 years
Now in Missouri



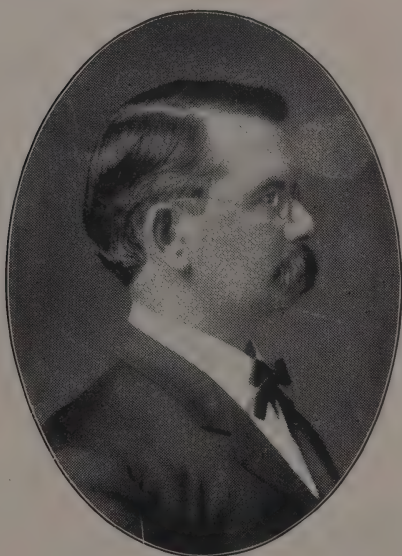
J. A. WELLINGTON

He taught the youngsters of 30 to 40
years ago. Now in New York.



JOHN MOLSTRE

Former banker
Now lives in Los Angeles



A. L. BARTLETT

Lawyer here in the old days.
Now in Oklahoma



C. N. CHRISTENSEN

One of our businessmen for quarter
of a century, now retired



OLAVOUS O. DONHOWE

In business here 25 years ago
Now in Chicago



PETER ORNING

Ames, Iowa



HENRY JACOBSON

Des Moines, Iowa



L. S. JOHNSON
Now of Butterfield, Minn.



EDGAR HERVIG
Former School Superintendent
Now of Baltic, S. D.



J. P. STREET
Former School Superintendent
Now of Harlan



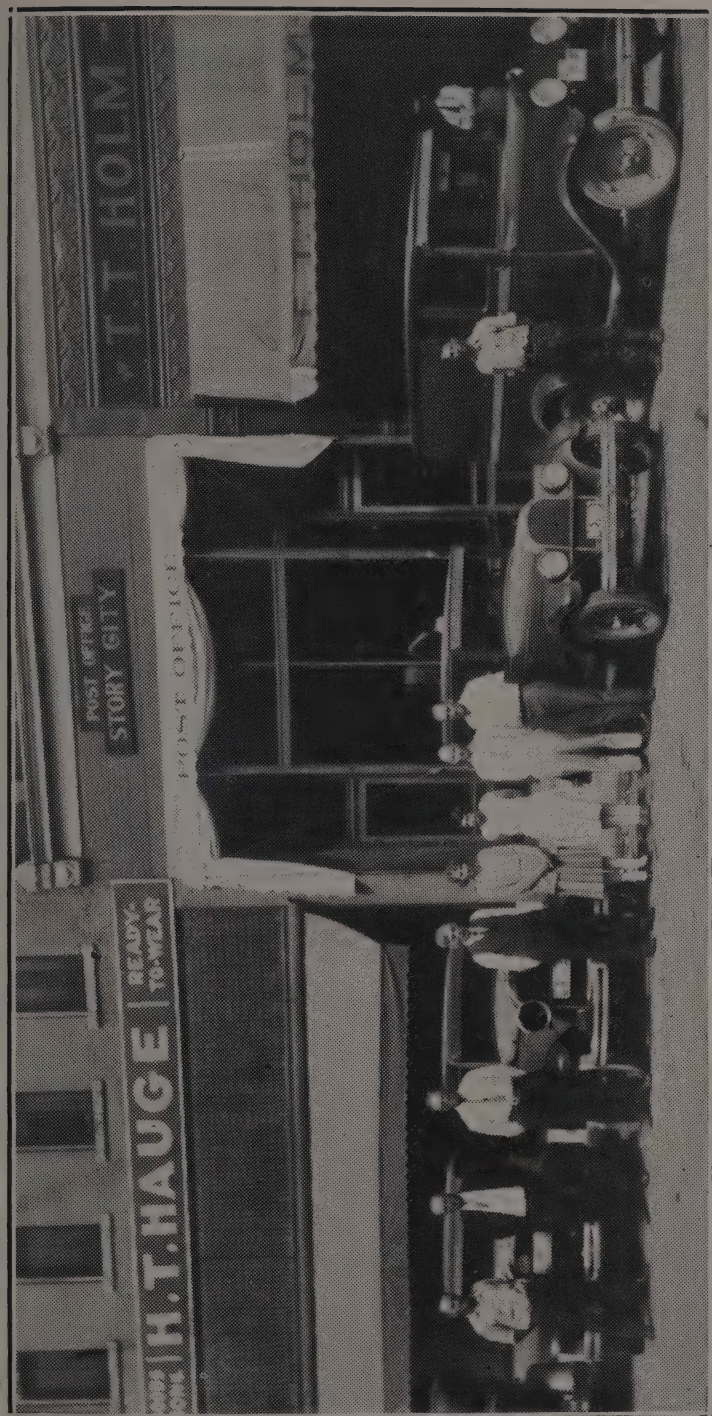
W. W. BALLARD
Former School Superintendent
Now of Panora



THE A. M. ALFSEIKE FARM HOME
Situating four miles west of Randall

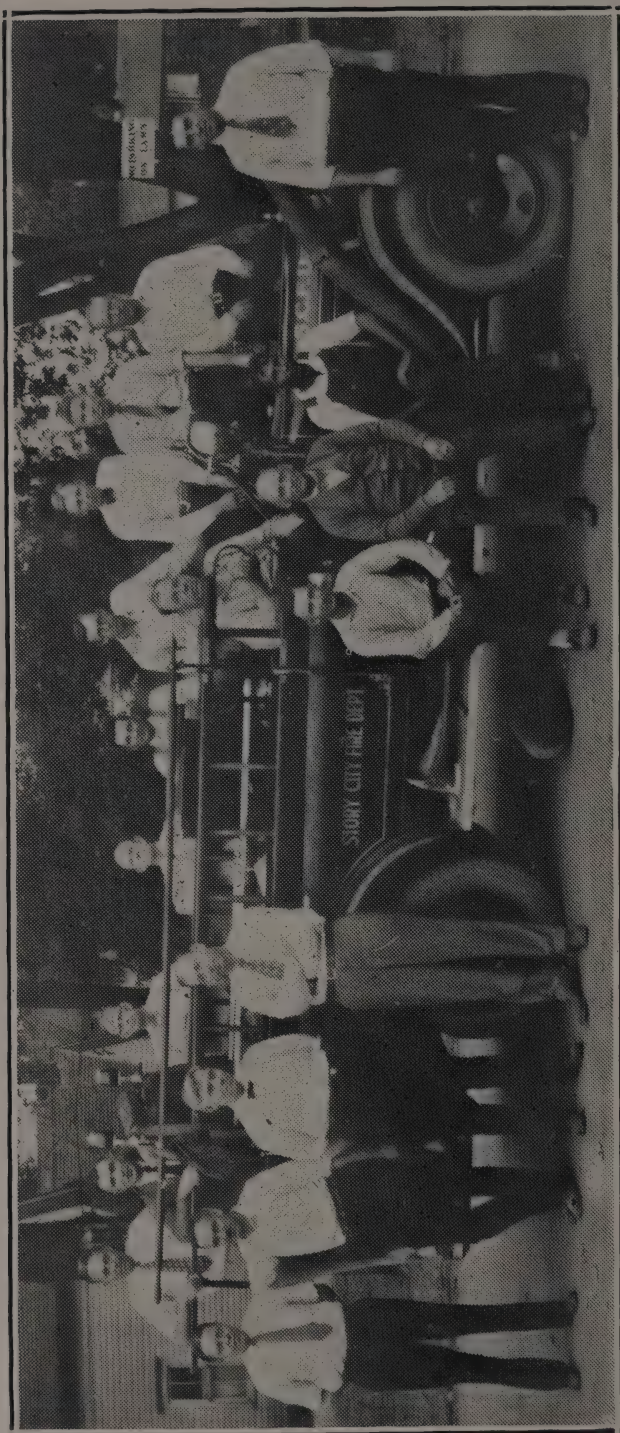


WHEN SKUNK RIVER IS FULL



STORY CITY POSTOFFICE AND WORKING FORCE

Left to right—L. C. Richardson, rural carrier; Lew Johnson, substitute carrier; O. K. Helvig, rural carrier and veteran of the service; Postmaster Eicson and two clerks, Louise Olson and Emma Fardal; C. W. Wier, substitute carrier; G. H. Kirby, rural carrier, and Rexford Tysdal, operator of the "Star" route from Story City to St. Anthony. The carrier system is completely motorized; years ago horses and wagons were used. (Ye editor seems to have broken into this picture on the extreme right.)



STORY CITY FIRE DEPARTMENT AND NEW TRUCK

Front row—Lester Henderson, Ernest Wiggins, Chas. Alsager, Serral Munsen, Sam Tokheim, Fire Chief Bert Hill, Gudmond Amlund and T. M. Holm. Back row—Lester Swenson, A. L. Born, Lew Brattebo, Ed. Peterson, T. K. Henderson, Embert Munsen, Jasper Dale, Eric Alsager and John Hill. Tom Omvig seated in truck.



ALSAGER BROS. MEAT MARKET
Oliver, Eric, Charlie and Olai Alsager

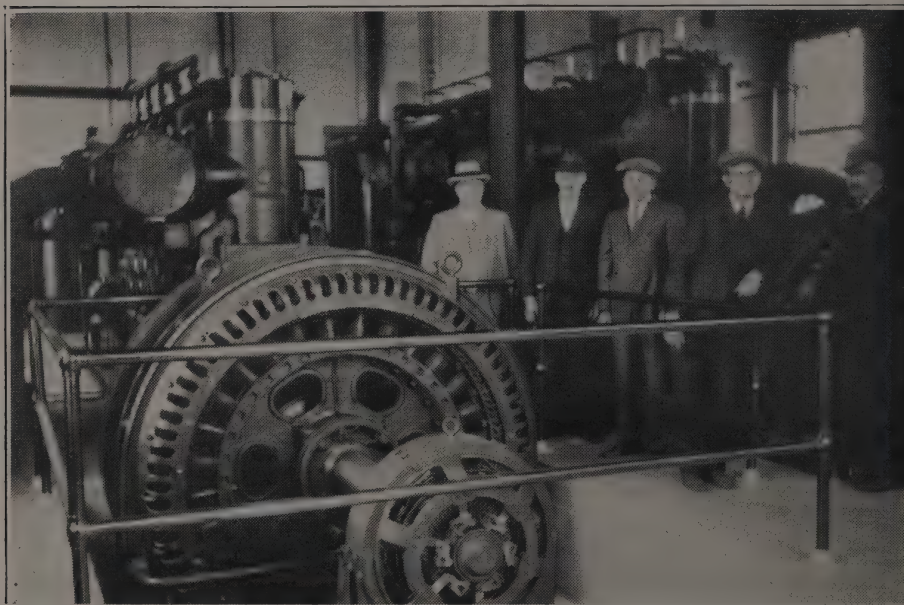


INTERIOR OF THE OSE HARDWARE STORE
Messrs. Ose and Swenson Back of Counter



OUR FINE ELECTRIC POWER AND LIGHT PLANT

The operating force is shown, left to right: E. G. Wiggins, Martin Jacobs, John E. Erickson, Supt. T. K. Henderson and Wm. J. Hendrickson



INTERIOR VIEW OF LIGHT PLANT SHOWING NEW OIL ENGINES

And here they are again, left to right: W. J. Hendrickson, John E. Erickson, T. K. Henderson, Martin Jacobs and E. G. Wiggins



STORY CITY SHIPPING ASSOCIATION DIRECTORS

Front row—T. T. Wicks, Jos. Nordskog, Manager John Hougen
 Back row—Sec. Albert Frandson, Pres. John H. Johnson, Pete Peterson



STORY CITY FARMERS' GRAIN CO. DIRECTORS

Front row—Mgr. L. O. Jacobson, John Baldus, T. Z. Henryson
 Back row—T. J. Thompson, Pete Peterson, John H. Johnson



THE C. J. RISTVEDT ELEVATOR AND MILL

Fully equipped for grinding feeds of all sorts
C. J. Ristvedt and J. M. Gertsen in foreground



"OPPORTUNITY DAY IN STORY CITY"—1929-30

When the drawing took place which decided lucky winners of \$500 in cash

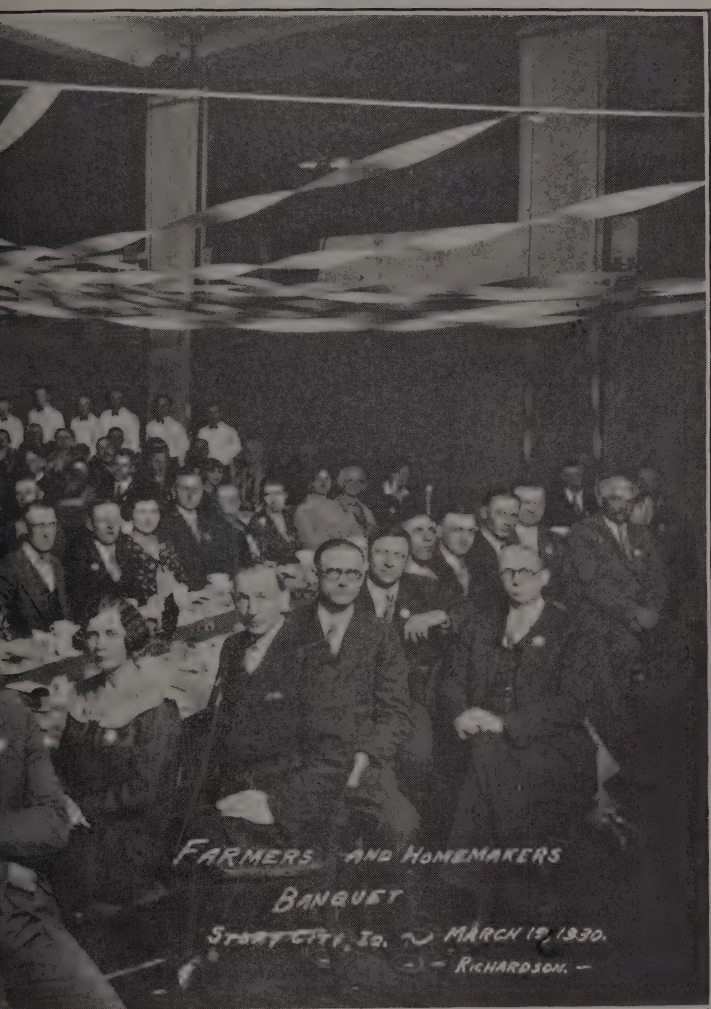


NEW ELEVATORS OF THE FARMERS' GRAIN COMPANY



NEW BUILDING OF LOCAL TELEPHONE COMPANY



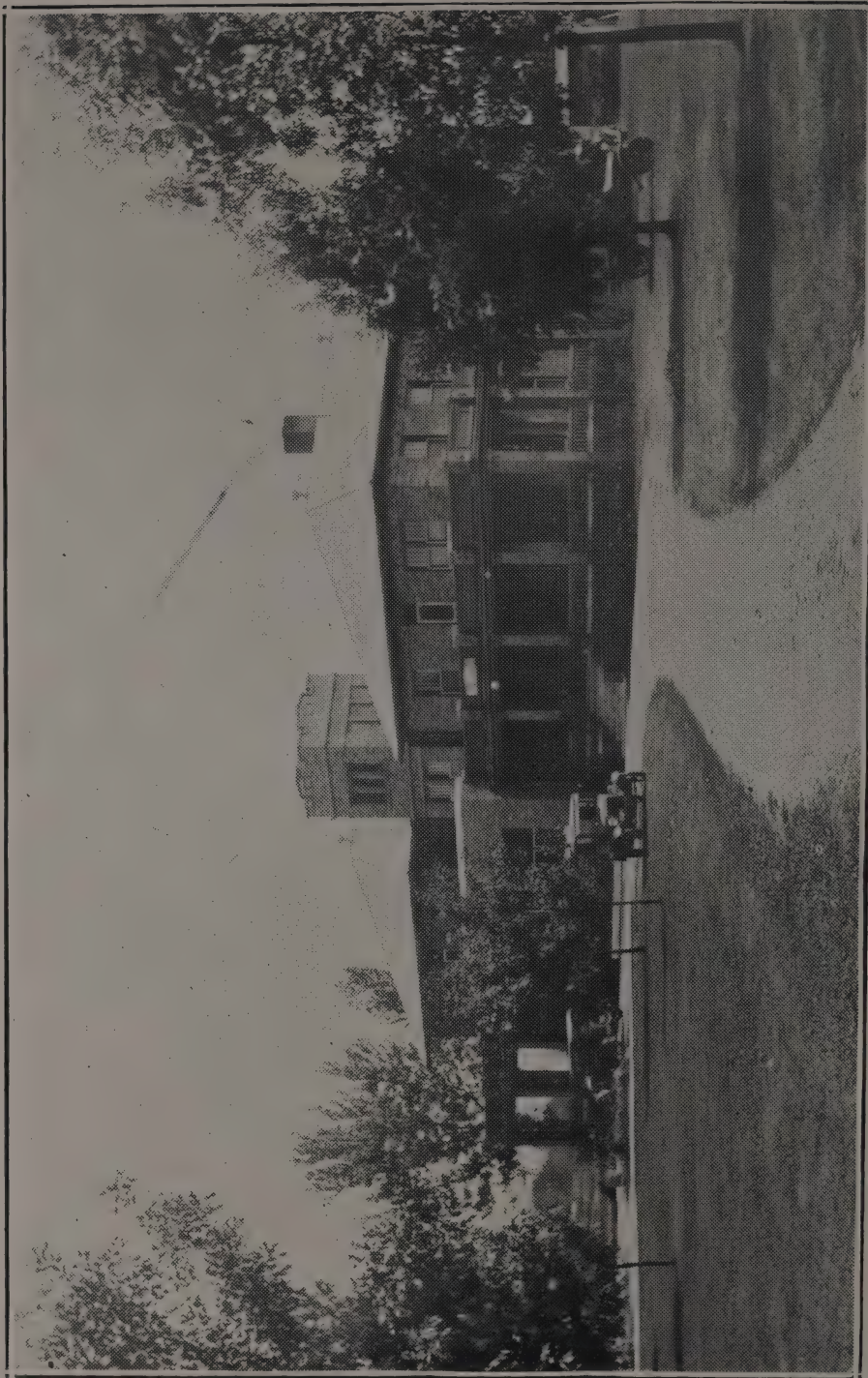


FARMERS AND HOMEMAKERS

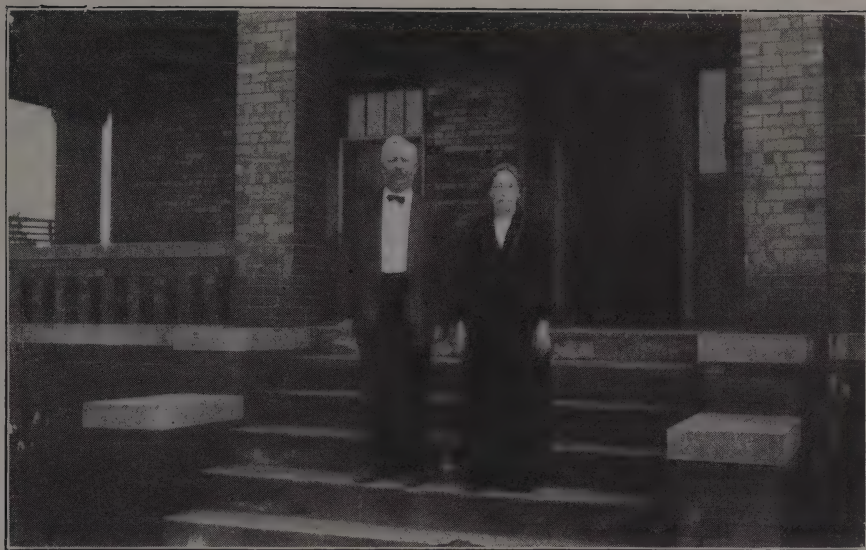
BANQUET

STACY CITY, ID. MARCH 19, 1930.

- RICHARDSON. -



STORY CITY LUTHERAN SANITARIUM AND SUNSET HOME



MR AND MRS. ADOLPH C. MOLSTRE
Superintendent and Matron of Old People's Home and Sanitarium



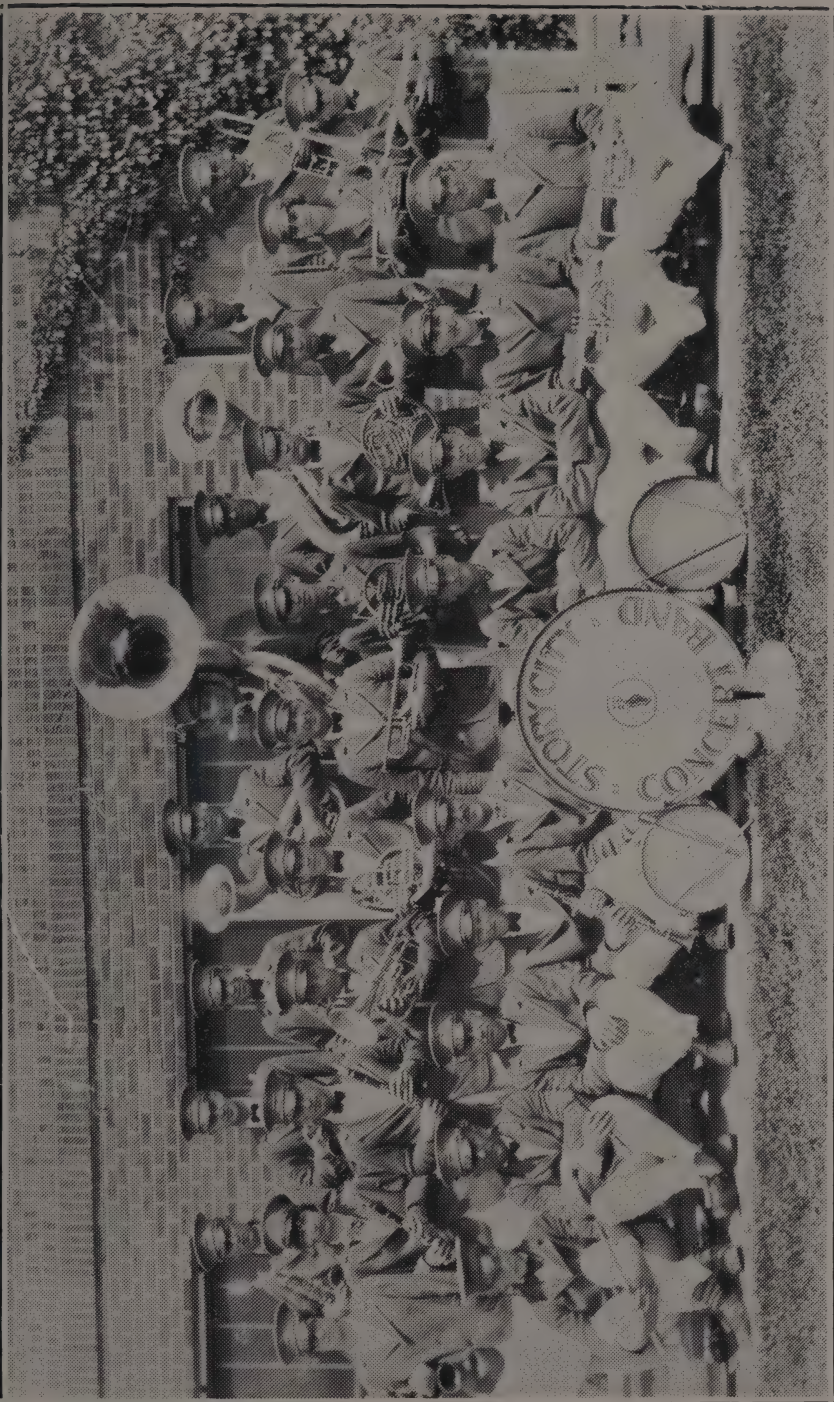
THE GRAND HOTEL AND AUDITORIUM BUILDING
A frontage of 175 feet, the biggest single improvement on main street



FULLER'S BARBER SHOP BUILDING
Now it is covered with sheet iron. Besides Mr. Fuller and
Mr. Wier you will recognize Tommy Knudson



HANSON PHOTO GALLERY BUILDING



STORY CITY CONCERT BAND (Photo Taken in 1923)

Front row, left to right—Alf Haerem, Alfred Tjernagel, Iver Egenes, Casper Torsetson, I. G. Larson, Milford Olson, Andrew Dickinson, Carl Teig, Harry Wier. Middle row—Amanda Larson, Wilma Jessen, DeWayne Beightol, Charles Bartlett, Bertrum Amlund, Wesley Schaub (director), Bernt Egenes, Clarion Larson, Joseph Donhowe, Mrs. Elmer Jensen, LeRoy Nelson. Back row—Jasper Dale, Harry Smith, Reuben Heimareck, T. M. Holm, Myron Gere, George Sowers, Martin Teig and Tilman Sande.



BEAUTIFUL VIEW OF STORY CITY'S TWO SCHOOL BUILDINGS



1930-31 STAFF OF TEACHERS OF STORY CITY PUBLIC SCHOOLS

Front row—Supt. Green, Annette Hjelmeland, Mamie Christiansen, Alma Larson, Hallie Hart, Jane Brooks, Charlotte Nelson. Middle row—Lois Ellsworth, Vivian Vifquain, Mary Lyle, Mildred Thompson, Jean Norlin, Ruth Shreve, Hazel Thompson, Mary Dixon. Back row—Palmer Mortvedt, Chandos C. Smith, E. E. Mayhew and H. H. Hunter.



GIRLS' GLEE CLUB—STATE CHAMPIONS, 1931

Front row—Margaret Sunnoe, Arlene Jessen, Olive Lund, Edith Elwell, Hazelle Thompson, Hyla Beroen, Margaret Lee, Judith Henryson, Harriet Ristvedt, Arlene Brown, Ruth Fuller, Dorothy Knudson. Back row—Miss Shreve, pianist; Minnie Johnson, Helen Beroen, Frances Bartlett, Mabel Lund, Thelma Johnson, Mary Ruth Nelson, Geneva Tandy, Helen Alsager, Gladys June Teig, Esther Howland, Thelma Wiersen, Mary Jane Jacobsen, Miss Brooks, director.



BOYS' GIRLS GLEE CLUB STATE CHAMPIONS CLASS C 1929

GIRLS' GLEE CLUB—STATE CHAMPIONS, 1929

Front row, left to right—Ruth Bohling, accompanist; Jeanette Anderson, Arlene Jessen, Helen Hill, Elvina Canady, Margaret Sunnoe, Olive Lund, Harriet Ristvedt. Second row—Jurine Hauge, Aileen Sunnoe, Margaret Lee, Pearl Jacobson, Delila Christenson, Edna Allie, Marcella Larson, Mr. Martin, Director. Back row—Florence Nessa, Sara Henderson, Awanda Larson, Jessie Allie, Wilma Jessen, Esther Ness, Gladys Hetland, Dorothy Knudson.



MIXED CHORUS—STATE CHAMPIONS, 1931

Front row—Margaret Sunnoe, Arlene Jessen, Frances Bartlett, Helen Beroen, Minnie Johnson, Margaret Lee, Thelma Johnson, Hyla Beroen, Dorothy Knudson, Ruth Fuller. Back row—Miss Shreve pianist; Edwin Hauge, Maurice Tressler, Alvin Thompson, Arlo Thorsness, Herbert Donhowe, Charles Bartlett, Bertrum Amlund, Ernest Ericson, Truman Sylvester, Burnice Jacobson, and Miss Brooks, director.



GIRLS' GLEE CLUB—STATE CHAMPIONS, 1930

Front row, left to right—Arlene Jessen, Jeanette Anderson, Margaret Sunnoe, Harriet Ristvedt, Jurine Hauge, Thelma Johnson, Margaret Lee, Florence Nessa, Esther Howland, Ruth Fuller, Dorothy Knudson, Sara Henderson, accompanist. Back row—Minnie Johnson, Helen Hill, Maxine Rhoades, Olive Lund, Pearl Jacobson, Margaret Fuller, Ansel Martin, Director; Geneva Tandy, Edna Allie, Gladys Hetland, Jessie Allie, Wilma Jessen.



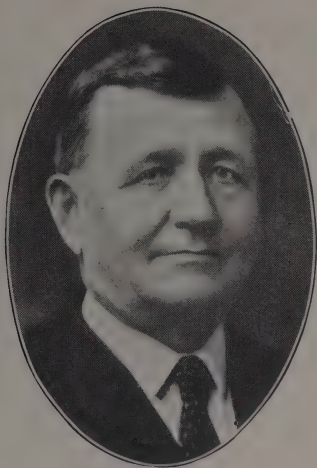
Scene on John Valen place following Tornado of May 21st, 1918.



The Severt Larson place, following Tornado of May 21st, 1918

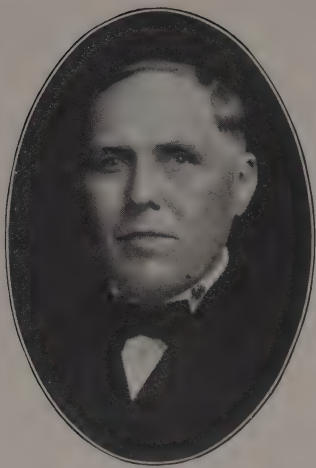


John Valen place after Tornado of May 21st, 1918



T. T. HENRYSON

"T.T.," as he is familiarly known, has been actively identified with the business and civic interests of the town for full fifty years. President of the First National Bank.



A. M. HENDERSON

Cashier of First National Bank. Ten years as postmaster and ten years as president and secretary of the Commercial Club, besides being identified with various business enterprises.



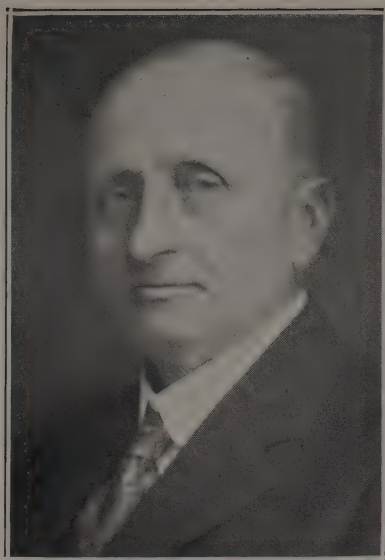
JUDGE O. J. HENDERSON

For many years on the board of directors of the First National Bank. Born and raised in Scott township. Lives in Webster City. Judge of the District Court of Iowa.



TORKEL Z. HENRYSON

Farming the old O. T. Henryson place north of town. Director of the First National and now president of the Tri-County Fair association of Story City.



OLE O. ROE

Was town's first attorney, then head of local school, for ten years county superintendent of schools, deputy state auditor, first state fire marshall. Now calls Des Moines home, but is vice-president of our First National Bank, a successor of the State Bank which he helped organize in the 90's.



MRS. JOHANNA HANSON

Maiden name, Roe, and a long resident of Story City community



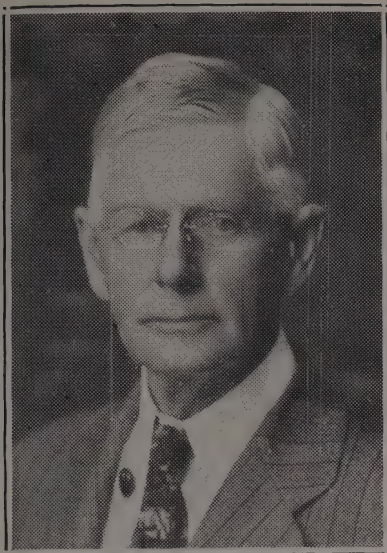
MR. and MRS. SAM OVERLAND

Well known in community northwest of Story City. Mr. Overland died a few years ago. Mrs. Overland lives



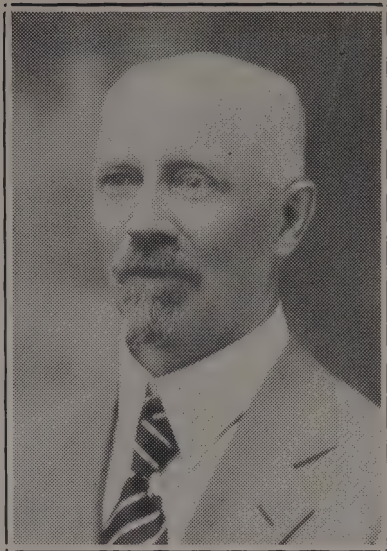
MR. and MRS. GEO. BALDUS

Have lived southwest of Story City half a century



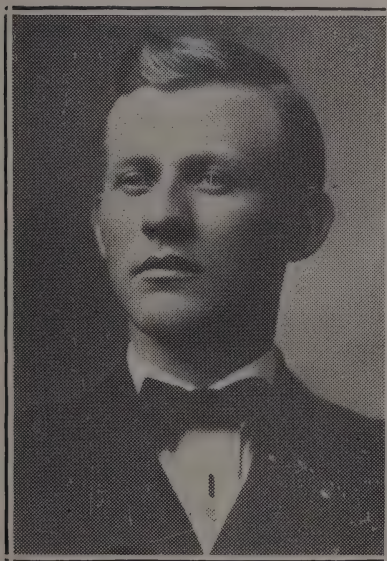
H. E. MYRAH

Secy. First Mortgage Investment Co.,
former mayor and now justice
of the peace



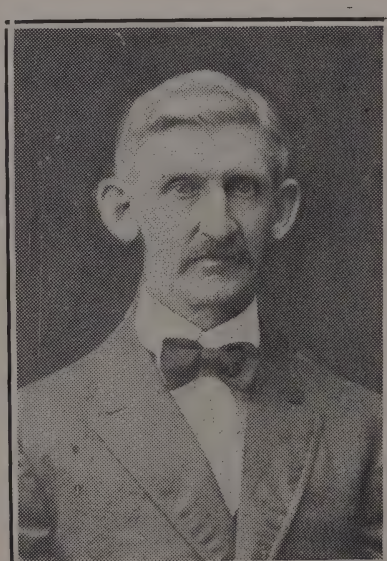
DR. H. HAEREM, M.D.

Doctor in Story City for 25 years
Died in 1931



JOHN OSE

Contracting carpenter and
hardware man



A. L. TIEDE

In business 25 years here



LESTER HENDERSON
Furniture and Undertaking



CHRIS LEKNESS
of the North Side Market



ADOLPH IDSE
Story City's Pioneer Jeweler

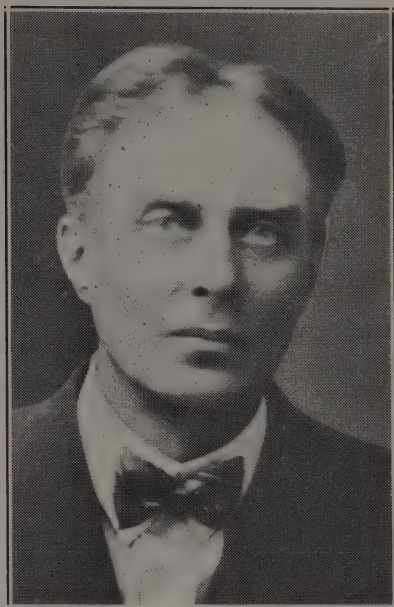


NELS MARTENS
In tailor business here 25 years



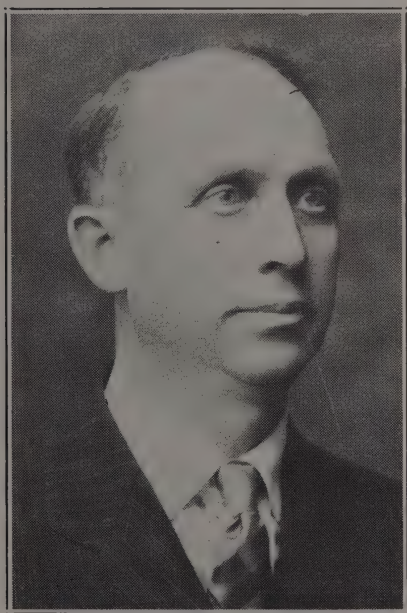
A. G. LARSON

50 years in mercantile business



LEWIS OLESON

Painter and decorator for 25 years



PROF. FRANK E GREEN

Supt. of our schools for 12 years and
re-elected for another 3-year term



LLOYD W. VALLINE

Story City's Hustling Baker



ELMER JAMES
Photos and developing



OLE J. HANSON
of the Hanson Studio



JOHN HILL
Story City Chevrolet man



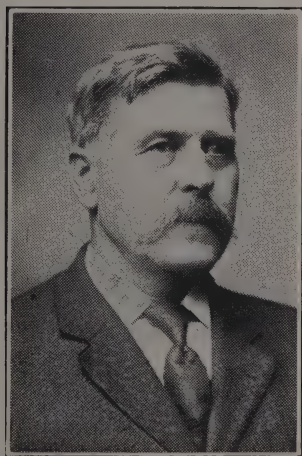
MILFORD J. BALDUS
Proprietor Baldus Hatchery



J. C. JESSEN
Attorney
President G.C.C.

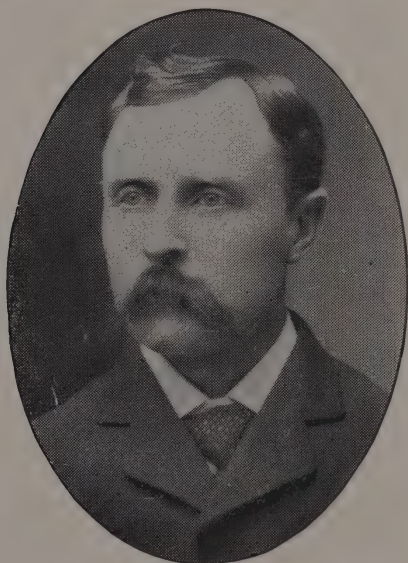


A. L. BORN, D.V.S.
Veterinary Surgeon in Story City
for over 20 years



BEN HOLM

In harness business from 'way back



DANIEL JOHNSON

Pioneer wagon maker and still at it



ALFRED JACOBSON

With Charlson Clothes Shop



EDW. CHARLSON

23 years in clothing business



L. A. DALE

Has handled implement line for
years and years



H. T. HAUGE

Dry goods, ready-to-wear, millinery
dealer for many years



ALSAGER BROTHERS

Charles, Oliver, Eric, Olai, Severt, Johan

(The first four have been in the meat market business here nearly 30 years)



STANTON JAMES
Clothier



IVER A. EGENES
Insurance



ALVIN J. SOWERS
Feeds-Seeds



ARTHUR W. GANDRUP

Runs drug store at the old stand



EDWIN C. JACOBSEN

The corner drug store man



MELBURN DONHOWE



PETER C. DONHOWE

Story City Ford Dealers



SERRAL MUNSEN



EMBERT MUNSEN

Proprietors Munsen Auto Company



T. M. HOLM

Carrying on hardware business established by his father 25 years ago



SAM C. HANSON

With Hanson Studio



LEW BRATTEBO

In shoe business



C. J. RISTVEDT

Elevator and milling



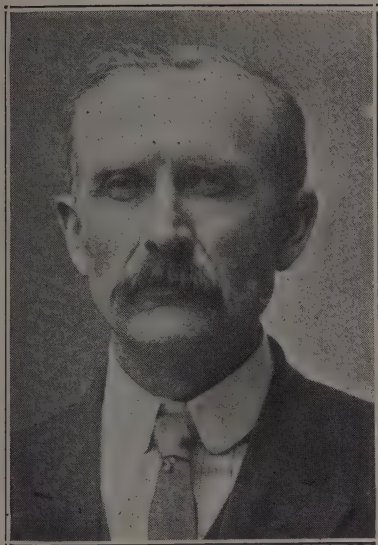
O. J. SEVEREID

First volunteer from Story City in
Spanish-American war
Now in drug business at Huxley



L. O. TEGLAND

Active farmer for many years,
now lives in town



T. E. RAFDAL

Shoe maker



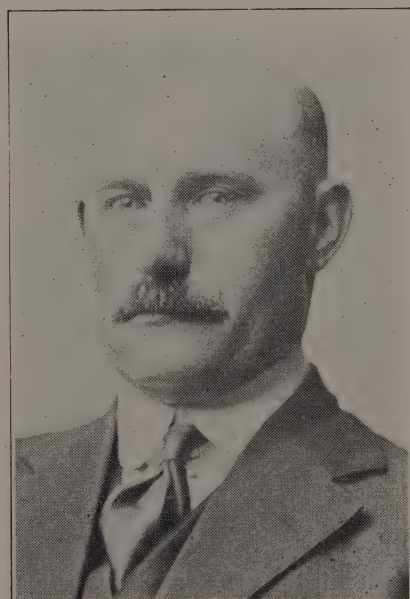
P. O. CHRISTIANSON

With Farmers' Grain Co. 20 years



L. J. TJERNAGEL

Booster in the 90's
and still at it



AUG. KLEAVELAND

Hardware man



I. G. LARSON
With Teig Clothing Co.



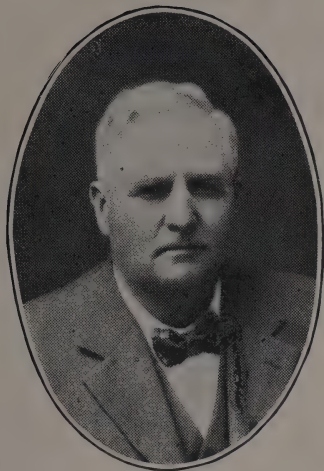
JASPER JORGENSON
With Buick at Flint, Mich.



SAM J. HANSEN
Supt. of Schools
Benson, Minn.



OLE ROTH
City Marshall



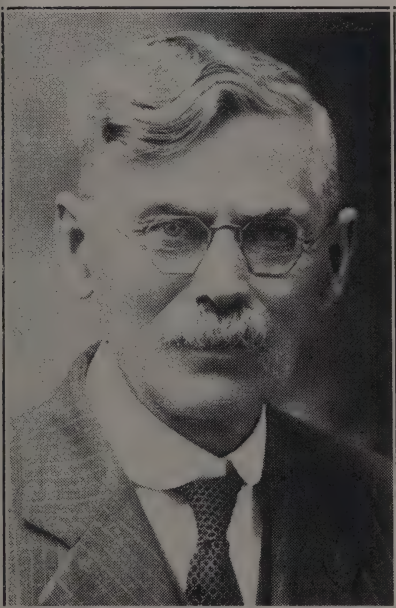
JOHN O. ANDERSON

President of the Farmers' Mutual
Insurance Association



M. O. TJERNAGEL

Led band nearly 20 years



E. L. ERICSON

For many years teacher and lumber
and grain man. Now postmaster.



DR. GEO. P. JOHNSON

For many years one of our veterinary
surgeons. Pioneer livery man. Now
at I.O.O.F. Home at Mason City.



H. N. DONHOWE

As Auctioneer, Banker and Legislator
he was well known in wide circle



MRS. H. N. DONHOWE

Has taken active interest in mus
circles of the community



MR. AND MRS. OLE M. OLSON

Long Citizens of the Town and Community

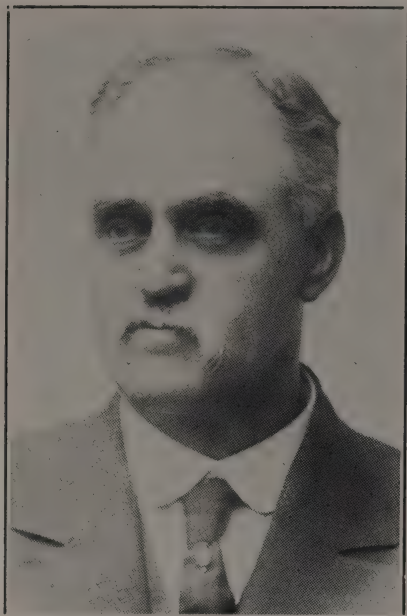


MR. AND MRS. HENRY AHRENS
Long residents west of Story City, recently celebrated
their Golden Wedding Anniversary



MR. AND MRS. SAMPSON GROTNESS

Mr. Grotness was carpenter of Story City for half a century. He and his good wife celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary last fall. Mr. Grotness died recently.



FRANK W. HEERS
Retired farmer, now representing
Des Moines dailies



MRS. FRANK W. HEERS



MR. AND MRS. D. B. OLSON AT THEIR RESIDENCE



CHARLES F. JOHNSON

Liveryman of 25 years ago
Now he sells gas



MRS. C. F. JOHNSON

Dean of Story City musicians



OLAF HEMNESS

On the road for Brody 25 years



MRS. OLAF HEMNESS



DR. H. M. KAHLEY
Dentist



M. C. HANSON
Asst. Cashier of First
National Bank



REV. D. A. GORMAN
Pastor SS. Peter and Paul's
Catholic Church



Rev. Chas. S. Lang
Present Pastor of Zenors-
ville Church



SS. PETER AND PAUL'S CATHOLIC CHURCH
 Located in the southwest corner of Lafayette township



CORNERSTONE LAYING AT ZENORSVILLE
 The old church at Zenorsville was destroyed by fire March 8, 1931
 Cornerstone of the new church was laid May 3, 1931

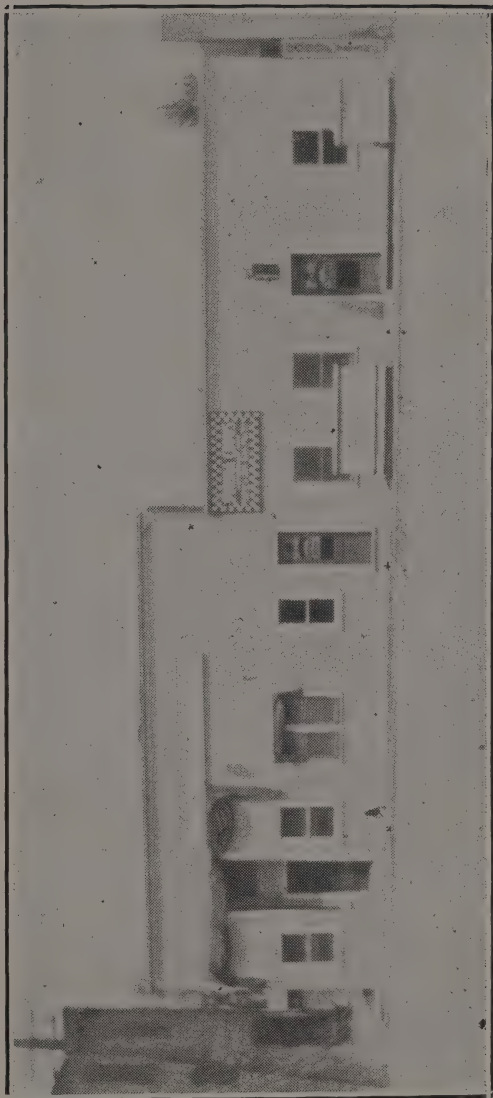


JOHN HILL MOTOR CO., Chevrolet Headquarters
Left to right—Bernie Nygaard, Albert Jacobson, Albert Johnson,
Carl Johnson, Irene Jacobson and John Hill



Buildings Housing A. J. SOWERS' SEED AND FEED BUSINESS
Mr. Sowers is shown seated in his fine new truck

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THE HEGLAND PRODUCE CO. and BALDUS HATCHERY



A WINTER SCENE IN STORY CITY PARK



ENTRANCE TO STORY CITY PARK



PARK SCENE, SHOWING BALL GRANDSTAND



ANOTHER VIEW OF THE PARK



SHOWING MAIN ENTRANCE AT FAIRVIEW CEMETERY



A VIEW OF THE CEMENT BRIDGE OVER SKUNK RIVER



THE OLD THORSBAKKEN FARM NORTHEAST OF TOWN



THE BEROEN FARM

The H. B. Henryson-Beroen farm home since 1858,
now occupied by Annas J. Henryson



OUR HORSE DEALERS

This Picture, showing L. S. and C. L. Johnson, reminds us of the Horse Era



TYPICAL FOURTH OF JULY SCENE

When the Ball Game Is in Full Swing



S. S. WIERSON FARM HOME

This is located on the old Thor Ericson place, south of Story City



THE JOHN WIERSON FARM HOME

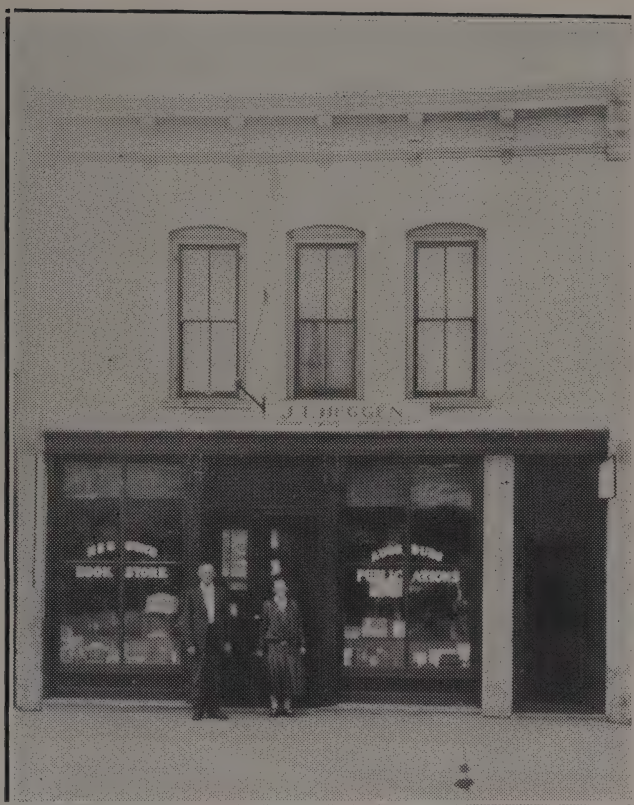
Located half a mile west of Copenhagen schoolhouse



THE H. T. HAUGE DRY GOODS ESTABLISHMENT
 Mrs. Sevold, Mrs. Jacobson, Miss Hanson and Mr. Hauge



BUILDING OCCUPIED BY IDSE JEWELRY STORE, CHARLSON'S
 CLOTHES SHOP and JOHNSON GROCERY

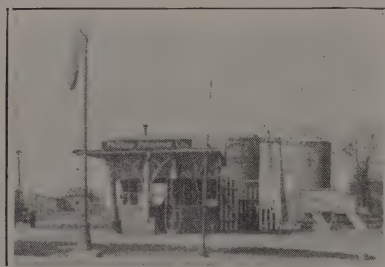


HEGGEN BOOK STORE AND LAND OFFICE

John T. Heggen and Stena Heggen



C. F. Johnson Oil Station
Standard Oil Products



Phillips Petroleum Co.
Jos. Havnen, Operator



WHEN THE BAND HEADS A PARADE ON MAIN STREET



LOOKING WEST FROM BRATTEBO CORNER



PIONEER STORE CORNER



BUILDING OCCUPIED BY HENDERSON FURNITURE CO.
and FIRST MORTGAGE INVESTMENT CO.



PETE PETERSON

Pitcher 25 years ago. Now one
of our prominent farmers

HENRY SEVEREID

Noted big league catcher for many
years. Now of Los Angeles, Cal.



BOB HOLLINGSWORTH

Driving his young ox team in the
middle 90's



GULLICK HORTON and

ANFIN ELLINGSON



MRS. JOHANNA HANSON RESIDENCE



VIEW OF MRS. JOHANNA HANSON'S FLOWER GARDEN

One of our prize winning places



S. T. Farmer Residence



M. Henderson Farm Residence



Lester Henderson Residence



C. L. Johnson Residence



Hans S. Nelson Residence



L. O. Tegland Residence



Mrs. Ella Hagen Residence



Mrs. Nellie Johnson Residence



Gudmond Amlund Residence



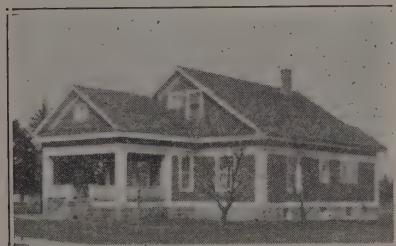
Peter Boyd Residence



Tom L. Olson Residence



Edwin Olson Residence



C. M. Abrahamson Residence



Ole Thorsbakken Residence



John G. Oppedal Residence



Alfred Jacobson Residence



A. Williams' Residence



Martin Jensen Residence



Leonard Hermanson Home



Oliver Alsager Residence



John Hove Residence



H. E. Myrah Residence



A. M. Henderson Residence



Dr. H. M. Kahley Residence

THE ST. PETRI LUTHREAN CHURCH

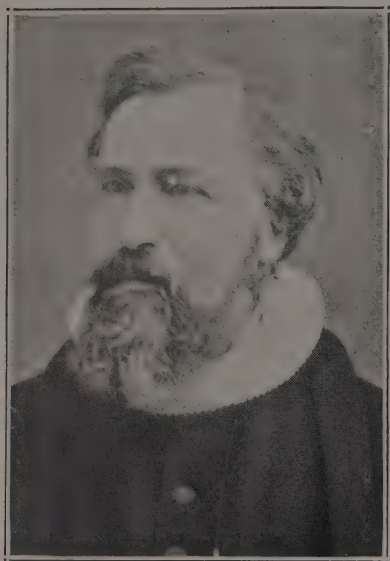


REV. WALTER B. SCARVIE

Present Pastor

Mrs. Scarvie and son Kenneth Sigurd





REV. N. AMLUND

Pioneer pastor



MRS. N. AMLUND

Pioneer Pastor's wife



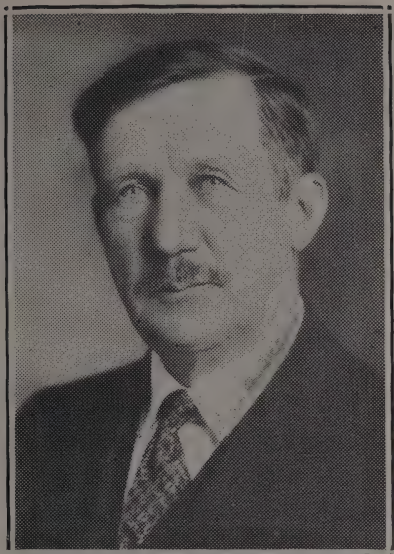
REV. O. P. VANGSNESS

Deceased

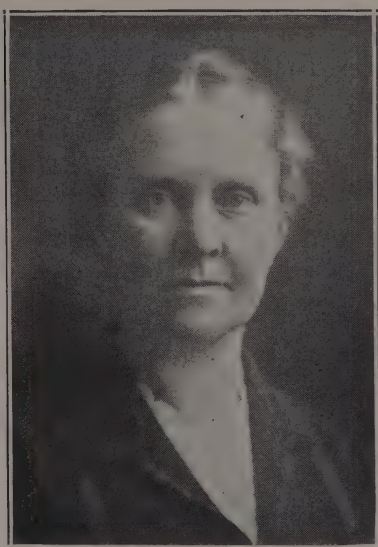


MRS. O. P. VANGSNESS

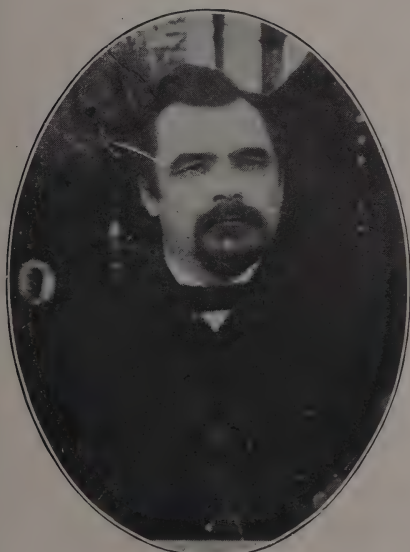
Now of Chicago



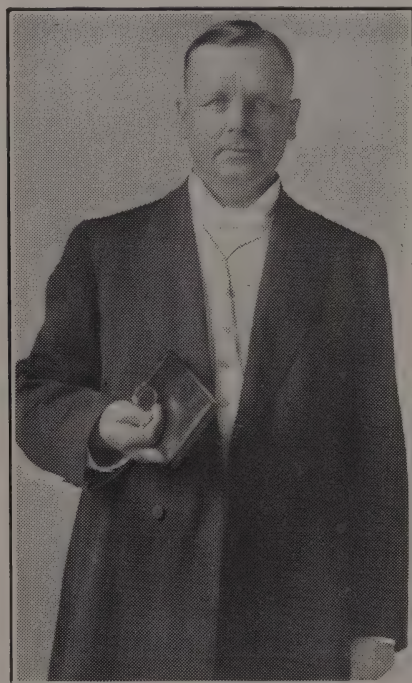
REV. HENRY SOLUM
Now of Baltic, S. D.



MRS. HENRY SOLUM



REV. L. SHERVEN



REV. J. N. ANDERSEN
Minneapolis. Minn.



THE ST. PETRI LUTHERAN CHURCH CHOIR

Front row—Pearl Jacobson, Jeanette Anderson, Marjorie Christensen, Mrs. Lester Henderson, Mrs. C. F. Johnson, Goldie Hagen, Helen Brattebo, Mrs. Wanda Stark. Second row—Bessie Anderson, Mabel Townswick, Rachel Vangness, Florence Nessa, Irene Jacobson, Marietta Born, Christine Hanson, Mrs. Petra Malmanger. Third row—Ione Oppedal, Geneva Tandy, Marcella Larson, Mrs. Gladyce Mortvedt, Alvena Holm. Fourth row—Herbert Donhowe, Orvie Henderson, Jasper Dale, Palmer Mortvedt, Albert Larson, Melburn Donhowe, O. K. Helvig, Rev. Scarvie. Fifth row—Lawrence Jacobson, A. M. Henderson, Howard Donhowe, Leslie Jacobson, Joseph Donhowe, Robert Erickson, Ingram Larson, Dr. A. L. Born, Ernest Erickson. Members not on picture—Mr. and Mrs. Lew Brattebo, Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Holm, Florence Erickson, Myrtle Henderson, Arlo Thorsness, Cecil Larson, Mrs. H. Haerem, and Ethel Henderson.



JENSEN'S CEMENT BLOCK FACTORY

In this commodious building Martin Jensen and his men not only make cement blocks, but a variety of cement products for buildings and garden and lawn.



THE ST. PETRI LUTHERAN JUNIOR CHOIR

Front row—Florence Henderson, Thelma Gabrielson, Hazel Helvig, Katherine Jacobson, Leora Anderson, Emily Amlund, Phyllis Malmanger, Ardel Jacobson, Evelyn Gabrielson. Second row—Elaine Oppedal, Sarah Askelson, Elsie Townswick, Betty Ann Donhowe, Quentin Ericson, Charles Donhowe, Truman Jacobson. Third row—Oscar Mortvedt, Cariyle Townswick, Earl Askelson, Albert Donhowe, Harold Olson, Edwin Jacobsen, Joel Olson. Fourth row—Peggy Donhowe, Eleanor Larson, Helen Oppedal, Alice May Thompson, Betty Ericson, Constance Jacobson. Fifth row—Joel Jacobson, Eunice Jacobson, Ruth Dale, Bernadine Kreutner, June Mathiason. Back row—Frances Bartlett, June Teig, Mary Jane Jacobsen, Thelma Wiersen, Judith Henryson, Paul Donhowe.



SAM HANSON IN HIS BEAUTIFUL FLOWER GARDEN



THE ST. PETRI LADIES' AID SOCIETY, 1931. (ORGANIZED 1873)

Working for the church, locally and synodically, has been the purpose of this organization for fifty-eight years. It furnishes a social center for the women of the church by its bi-weekly Thursday meetings, and is an outlet for feminine energy and desire to serve. It is credited with making the first U.S. flag flown in Story City. Sewing, quilting, serving annual dinners,

giving worth-while programs, always ready to help, is its traditional routine of work. Present officers: President, Mrs. P. C. Donhowe; vice president, Mrs. John Hove; secretary, Mrs. Burton Gandrup; treasurer, Mrs. E. E. Severeid; and budget treasurer, Mrs. L. O. Jacobson.



THE NEWERA CLUB

Organized in 1907. State federated in 1915. Nationally federated in 1919.
 Front row, left to right—Mesdames B. M. Rasmusen, Ed Charlson, T. M. Holm,
 A. L. Born, O. A. Olson, B. M. Amlund, E. E. Mayhew. Back row—Eric Alsager,
 C. M. Bartlett, Chris Lekness, J. C. Jessen, Stanton James, N. M. Nelson,
 Frank E. Green, H. M. Kahley and R. S. Jones.



THE E. C. K. CLUB

Back row—Mesdames Lew Johnson, Iver Egenes, Martin Hanson, John Hill,
 Norman Larson, L. O. Jacobson, Tom O. Olson, Arthur W. Gandrup. Front
 row—Mesdames Chas. W. Wier, John Ose, C. H. Hutchison, Severin Brattebo,
 Chandos C. Smith, Edwin C. Jacobsen, C. J. Teig.



THE SOROSIS CLUB

Back row, left to right—Mesdames Almina Egeland, Belle Munsen, Lydia Olson, Mae Munsen, Nora Jacobson, Stella Ahrens, Wilma Omvig, Emma Langland. Front row—Cora Gandrup, Celia Wiersen, Alma Grindem, Grace Silkebakken, Dagmar Gertsen and Bessie Henderson.



ONE OF OUR ACTIVE BIRTHDAY CLUBS

Front row—Mrs. Mary Doolittle, Mrs. S. J. Nessa, Mrs. Emma Christenson, Mrs. L. A. Jorstead, Mrs. C. J. Smith and Mrs. T. O. Olson. Back row—Mrs. Mary Lacker, Mrs. John Malmanger, Mrs. Eli Olson, Mrs. Ole Roth, Mrs. Martin Olson, Mrs. Oliver Alsager, Mrs. Martin Jensen, Mrs. L. C. Richardson and Mrs. Ben Evenson.



THE P. E. O. CLUB

Front row—Mesdames Anna Nelson, Alfred Jacobson, Tillie Donhowe, Carrie Harnden, J. C. Jessen, B. M. Rasmusen, Frank E. Green, Center row—B. M. Amlund, John Hill, Ed. Charlson, Marie Schwendener, Fred Corneliussen, P. C. Donhowe. Back row—Miss Emelia Gandrup, Mesdames Lester Henderson, Melburn Donhowe, O. A. Olson, A. A. Rose.



MRS. BERTHA BARTLETT

Librarian of Story City Library and
member of School Board



MRS. MARIE AMLUND

Well Known in School and
Civic Work



THE OWL COUNTRY CLUB

Organized Feb. 6, 1919. The following families compose the membership at this time: Roy Baldus, Arthur Frandson, Wm. Frandson, Jay Born, Albert Frandson, Orin Dickinson, Soren Christensen, John L. Anderson, Andrew Abrahamson, Charles Canady, Julius Knutson, Julius Jorgenson, Frank Doolittle, Geo. Sowers, Theo. Frandson, Theo. Jacobson and John Springman.



THE LAFAYETTE COUNTRY CLUB, 1930

The club was organized at the Ira Christenson home Nov. 11, 1915. The following families are the present members: Charles Tressler, Charles Kammin, Osmund Holland, Guy Heers, Lewis Peterson, Jasper Overland, L. O. Sinn, Joän H. Johnson, Theodore Lund, Fred Peterson, Nels Paulson, Wilber Sowers, Pete Petersn, Henry West, Nels Larson, Helge Johnson, Franklin Paulson, Ben Lee, Fred Hendrikson, Burnice Tressler, Arnold Peterson, Harold Sinn, Clarence Sowers, Howard Schlegel and Rudolph Iverson.

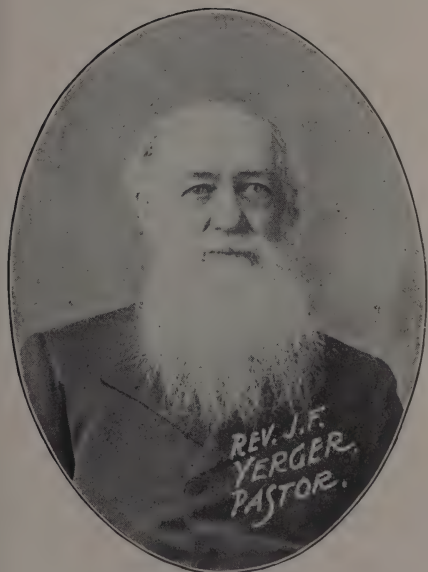


THE ROSENDALE CREAMERY FOLKS

The members of the Rosendale creamery believe in mixing sociability with their business. The accompanying picture was taken at a picnic on the Ames college campus. Nearly two hundred people enjoyed the occasion.



GRACE EVANGELICAL CHURCH
This Edifice was Built in 1914



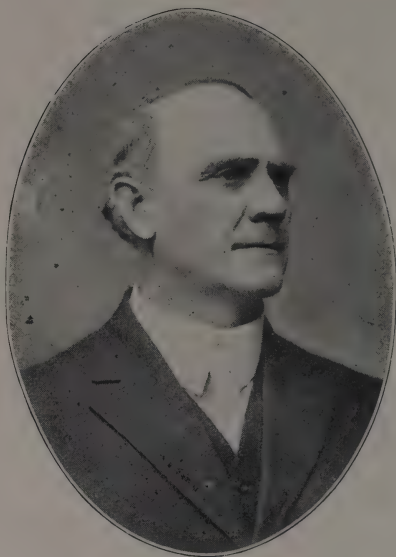
REV. J. F. YERGER



REV. C. L. FULLER
Present pastor



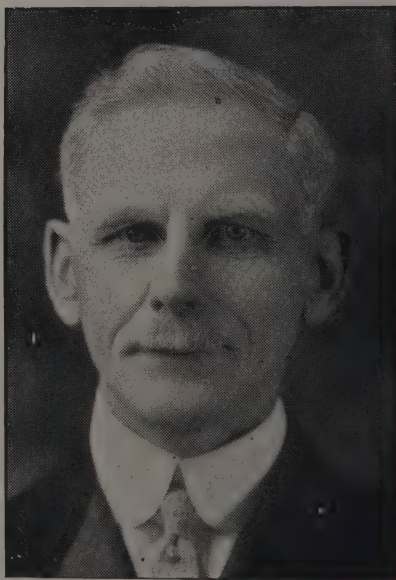
REV. L. J. U. SMAY



REV. C. D. WENDEL



REV. L. F. SMITH



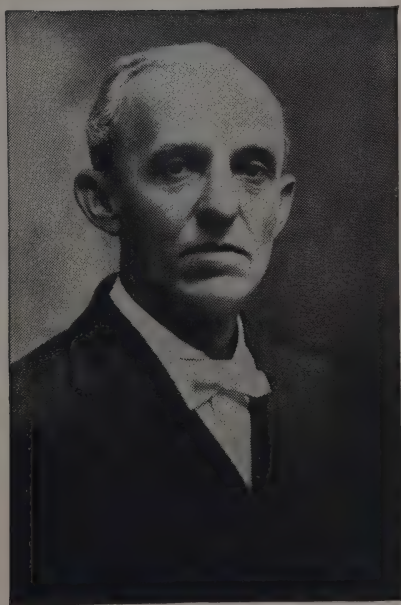
REV. L. L. ORTH

FORMER PASTORS OF GRACE EVANGELICAL CHURCH



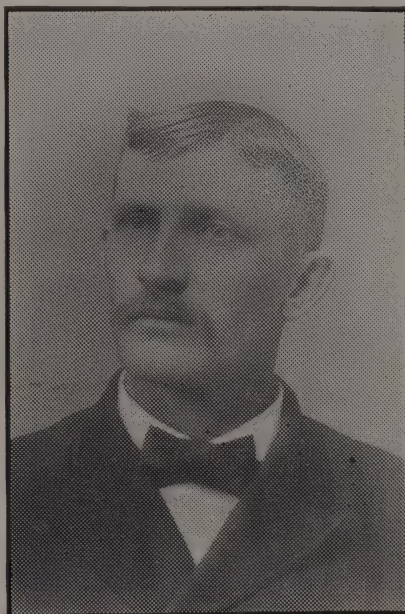
OFFICERS OF BIG BROTHERS CLASS

Front row—Dr. W. A. Craig, V-P.; J. O. Heuer, Pres.; Will Peterson, Treas. Back row—Elmer James, Secy.; J. C. Jessen, Teacher.



REV. B. H. NIEBEL

Pastor of Grace church nearly
50 years ago
Now living in Cleveland, O.



REV. J. ALBER

Pastor Grace church
25 years ago
Now living at Cedar Falls



(ABOVE) THE GRACE EVANGELICAL SUNDAY SCHOOL, Photo Taken May 10, 1914



First row—Harold Nelson, Amos Johnson, Raymond Kammin, Roscoe Anderson, H. J. Anderson, J. C. Jessen, visitor from Ft. Dodge, Nels Johnson, Orville Paulson, K. Roy Nelson, Wilmer Jewell, Henry Paulson, Nels Jewell, Leonard Johnson, John A. Chas. Fuller, Irvin Jensen, Everett Anderson, W. A. Craig, Hans O. Hanson, Nels P. A. Peterson, H. M. Kahley, Chas. Kammin, Rudolph Iverson, Pete Paulson, Chas. V. son, Howard Smith, L. L. Peak, Ralph Miller, A. J. Sowers. **Third row**—Ferner John J. Abrahamson, George Sowers, E. A. Rhoades, Jay Born, Art Frandson, Chas. Can J. Anderson, Nels Knutson, Cornelius Hanson, Andrew Hanson, Frank Doolittle, Jim Elmer Jensen, Nels Clausen, Roy Baldus, I. T. Sande, Chester Martens, Elmer Jam Harry Williams, Rufus Knudson, Orin Dickinson, Clarence Williams, Fred Henriksor Ingvald Ask, Elmer Smith, Theo. Frandson, Lewis Larson, Rbner Honderd, Henry



BELOW) THE BIG BROTHERS CLASS OF GRACE EVANGELICAL CHURCH.



Glen Romp, Louie Sinn, Reno Brown, John M. Johnson, Guy Templer, visitor from Milford Johnson, Roy Jewell, Franklin Paulson, Ernest Munsen, Harold Sinn, Le-Hutchison, Art Ristvedt, Oliver Jacobs, Stanton James. **Second row**—Sylvan Skeie, Paulson, Will Peterson, J. O. Heuer, E. E. Mayhew, Lloyd Valline, Lew Johnson, L. chell, Arnold Gaard, Henry West, Wm. Oswald, John Hill, Albert Omvig, Guy John-Springman, Geo. Merkel, Clarence Sowers, Luverne Dickinson, Holger Hoffman, A. rdskog, O. A. Olson, Henry Matson, Jas. Bissell, Roger Michaelson, Wm. Merkel, A. Honderd, Harold Monson, Robt. Kalseim. **Back row**—Julius Cole, H. J. Jackson, Ira Doolittle, Chas. Cole, Homer Brown, LuVerne Smith, Ben Lee, Oscar Miller, a, B. E. Green, John Oswald, Chris E. Knoke, Chris Kammin, Andrew Bickelhaupt, Frank Jackson, and P. A. Olson.



O. CHRISTENSON
8th ALTO



ZOH LARSON
5th ALTO



LEWIS PETERSON
2nd ALTO



ALEX HENDERSON
3rd ALTO



A. N. HENDERSON
2nd ALTO



F. C. THERNAGEL
BASS



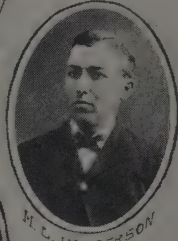
ANDREW HENDERSON
BASS DRUM



J. FRED ANTON PEDERSON
DIRECTOR



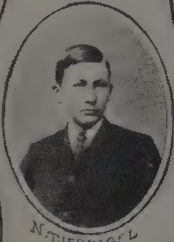
JACOB WELTHA
1st TROMBONE



M. L. HENDERSON
E. S. CORNET



ALBERT HENDERSON
CYMBALS



N. THERNAGEL
1st CLARINET



MICHAEL HENDERSON
2nd S. CORNET



H. M. THERNAGEL
TUBA



CARL NELSON
2nd CLARINET



T. H. ENGERSTRON
1st ALTO



M. THERNAGEL
REQUIT



O. J. HENDERSON
REQUIT



HERMAN HAGEN
SO. S. CORNET

THE RIVERSIDE BAND, A POPULAR MUSICAL ORGANIZATION
OF THE COMMUNITY IN THE 80's AND 90's



OUR CITY OFFICIALS

Back row—Councilmen John Hove, Ed Charlson, Martin C. Hanson and Hans S. Nelson. Front row—City Clerk Andrew Williamson, Mayor Martin C. Townswick and Councilman Eli Olson



NORTH WESTERN DEPOT, ERECTED A FEW YEARS AGO



THE FARMER CANNING FACTORY IN STORY CITY

This snapshot shows part of the south building and the front end of office.



THE STORY CITY CREAMERY

This is one of the big concerns in central Iowa, doing a business of \$150,000 a year.

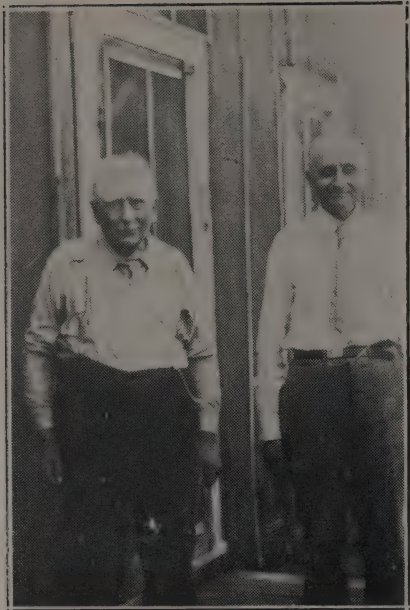


THE T. T. HOLM HARDWARE

T. M. Holm, Sherman Eggland, Marcella Larson, Albert Larson



NEW BUILDING OF DONHOWE MOTOR COMPANY



O. B. PETERSON and
OLE O. ROE



ANDREW P. JOHNSON
Former citizen now living at
Kalispell, Montana



GROUP PICTURE TAKEN ON FARM
R. M. (Charlie) Olson of Chicago, L. A. Jorstead, Olive Rosenberger, Paul A. Olson, Mrs. P. A. Olson, Mrs. L. A. Jorstead and Chas. Rosenberger
(Picture on Rosenberger farm near Estherville in August, 1929)



NELS LARSON FARM, NORTHWEST OF TOWN

At Left

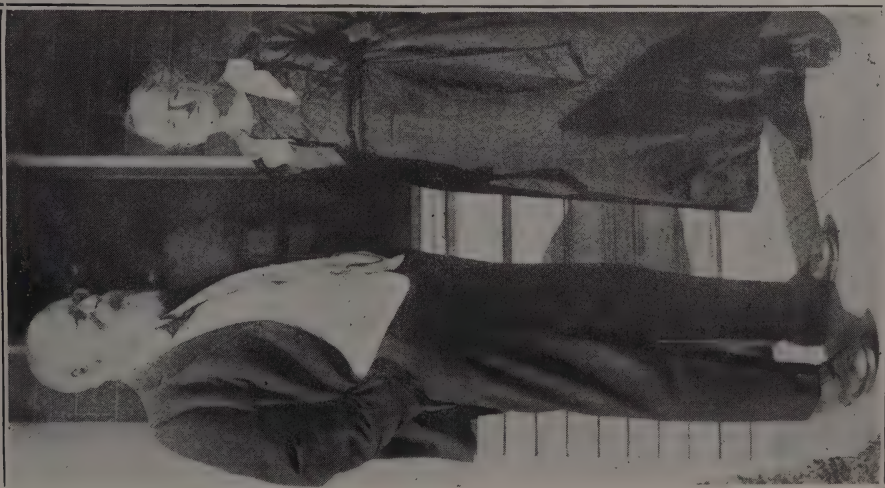
MR. AND MRS. GUSTAV
AMLUND

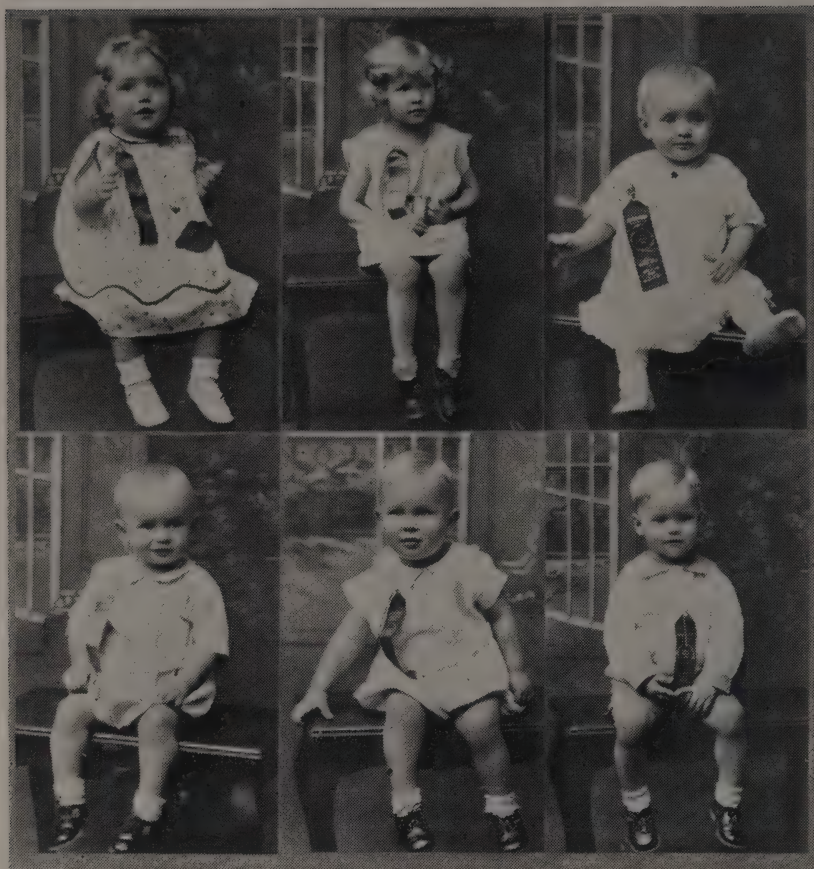
Recent photograph of couple who were closely identified with early Story City history. They now live at Bruce, S. D.

At Right

THE T. T. HENRYSON
FAMILY

You will recognize Mr. and Mrs. Henryson of course. In the foreground are their grandchildren, Robert and Helen. In the rear their children: Ansel, Ernest, Marie Donhowe, Osmon and son-in-law, Arthur Donhowe.





BABY HEALTH CONTEST WINNERS, TRI-COUNTY FAIR, 1930

Top row, left to right—Wilma Ruth Halleland (3rd place among girls), daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Halleland of Randall; Betty Delores Olson (1st place among girls, also sweepstakes winner) daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Orville Olson, Roland; Betty Joan Peterson (2nd place among girls) daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Peterson, Gilbert. Bottom row, left to right—Charles Leonard Johnson (1st place, boys) son of Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Johnson, Story City; Howard Clark Brattebo (2nd place, boys) son of Mr. and Mrs. Gerhard Brattebo, Story City; Clifford Hans Hanson (3rd place, boys) son of Mr. and Mrs. Hans Hanson, Story City.



FLOAT WHICH WON SECOND PRIZE AT VEISHEA, IOWA STATE COLLEGE, 1931, FOR STORY CITY FUTURE FARMERS



1930 HEIFER SHOW AT TRI-COUNTY FAIR, STORY CITY



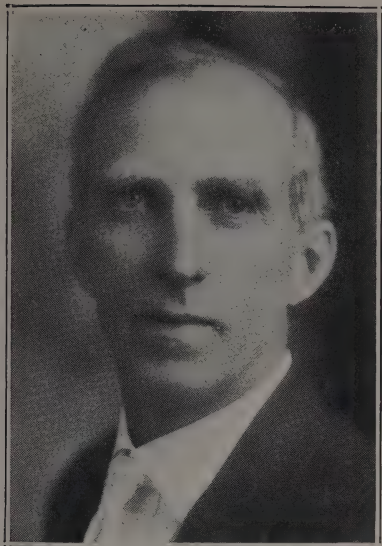
1930 COLT SHOW AT TRI-COUNTY FAIR, STORY CITY

STORY CITY'S FIRST NATIONAL BANK

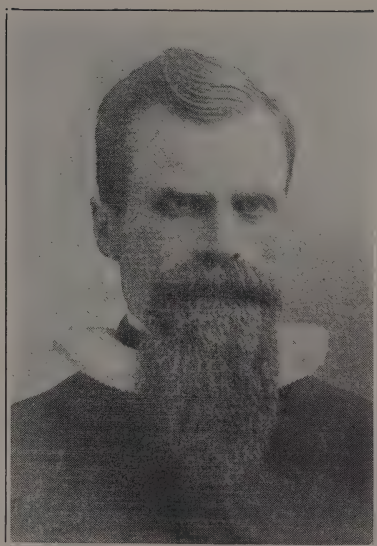
Here are some items of Story City's big bank that are interesting now and will no doubt be even more interesting when this book is scanned when the town celebrates its ONE HUNDREDTH anniversary in 1981: Capital stock \$75,000; surplus fund \$15,000; undivided profits \$22,221; demand deposits \$336,369; time deposits \$392,341; total deposits \$728,710; total resources \$922,652.68.



FIRST NATIONAL BANK BUILDING



REV. HANS OPPEDAL
Present Pastor of St. Paul's
Norwegian Luth. Church



REV. B. MIKKELSON
Former Pastor of St. Paul's
Norwegian Luth. Church



REV. C. C. HOLTER AND FAMILY
Was Pastor of Bethel Lutheran church in the 80's



MR. AND MRS. JOHN H. JOHNSON
 (Grandchildren Vera and Richard Johnson)
 Mrs. Johnson has lived here since 1868



FOUR GENERATIONS
 Paul A. Olson and daughter Olive Rosenberger
 Great-grandma Jorstead holding Paul
 Charles Rosenberger



HANS CARLSON

Editor and Publisher of the Story
City Review in the 80's



WILLIAM A. KELLEY

Editor and Publisher of the Story
City Herald in the 90's. Later Post-
master. Now in Marshall, Okla.



FRED B. BARKHURST

Associated with the Herald in the
early 90's and then editor of Stanhope
Mail. Now editorial work in Kansas
City.



PAUL A. OLSON

Editor and Publisher of
the Story City Herald for
the past 25 years



WHEN THE BALDUS FAMILY HAD RE-UNION IN 1930.



17de MAI PARADE

Picture taken of 17th of May parade in early 90's, in front of the old Bethel church (later destroyed by fire) and the old Evangelical church. M. O. Marvick is on the white charger—and if you can recognize anyone else you've got better eyes than we have.



OUR LAST SURVIVOR OF CIVIL WAR

Royal P. Sheffield, taken at the newly mounted Civil war gun in the local cemetery



THE WARD THORNTON ARCHITECT.
FOREST CITY, IOWA.

THE IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH



REV. AND MRS. T. T. HEIMARCK

Rev. Heimarck has been pastor of the Immanuel church over 25 years



IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CHURCH CHOIR

First row, left to right—Lillian Hougen, Thelma Brown, Lena Tesdall, Helen Tesdall, Olive Lund, Mabel Lund, Gladys Anderson, Esther Howland, Louise Olson, Organist, and Mrs. Ristvedt, Director. Second row—Olive Alsager, Hazelle Thompson, Margaret Sunnoe, Helen Beroen, Myrtle Mathre, Leora Johnson, Aileen Sunnoe, Hyla Beroen. Third row—Mae Munsen, Clara Tesdall, Lillian Alsager, Helen Alsager, Minnie Johnson, Emma Fardal, Alma Erickson. Fourth row—Lars Tesdall, Martin Flattebo, Embert Munsen, Harold Henryson, Bertrum Amlund, Lyle Oleson, Truman Sylvester.



THE IMMANUEL LUTHERAN LADIES AID

Front row—Mesdames Milo Thorson, Harvey Jorgenson, Arnie Travase, John Ose, Norman Larson, Arvie Jacobson, Embert Munsen, Alvin Hovland, Gerhrad Brattebo, Reuben Jacobson, Ernest Wiggin. Second row—Mesdames Halvor Knutson, T. J. Quam, Henry Toft, Wier Tjelmeland, Lars Chelley, S. M. Sorem, Sarah Sandness, K. P. Boyd, P. P. Boyd, E. S. Thorson, Sam Grotness, Gus Hanson, E. P. Anderson, E. L. Severeid, G. S. Tokheim, Lars Eide, Lars G. Stenson, John Sunnoe, Bertha Sylvester, Edwin Olson, Ole Thorsbakken. Third row—Mesdames T. K. Henderson, Henry Hovland, Arabelle Anderson, Clara Erickson, Chris L. Johnson, T. L. Mathre, S. J. Overland, O. B. Hanson, H. T. Hauge, Chris Lekness, N. N. Fardal, Annas Swenson, A. C. Molstre, M. E. Swenson, H. E. Myrah, C. J. Smith, M. G. Pearson, Joe G. Larson, Nels Thompson. Back row—Mesdames Albert Johnson, Nels Hermanson, G. H. Amlund, T. L. Olson, T. T. Wicks, A. J. Henryson, B. K. Lund, August Kleaveland, Carl Johnson, Olai Alsager, John Hougen, Andrew Langland, Martin Anderson, O. L. Alsager, Harry K. Henderson, Harry Wier, M. C. Wiersen, Lewis Oleson, Lewis Hauge, Fred Peterson.



CONFIRMATION CLASS OF BETHEL CHURCH, STORY CITY, 1930

Top row, left to right—Jonas Johnson, Albert Rafdal, Fernner Johnson, Alton Rafdal, Maynard Severeid, Donald Henryson. Front row—Porter Quam, Mildred Hermanson, Katherine Christopherson, Evelyn Holt, Vivian Thompson and Richard Townswick.



HILDORA HAGEN and
MARIE HEGGEN

Nurses at Story City Hospital



MUSICAL TRIO

Billy Craig, Bobby Ahrens,
Russell Frandson



THE IMMANUEL LUTHERAN CONFIRMATION CLASS, 1931

Standing—Harold Larson, Thelma Johnson, Lawrence Valen, Ruth Amlund, Gaylord Henryson. Seated—Betty Harnden, Donald Wier, Rev. T. T. Heimarck, Onel Thorson, Alice Tesdal.

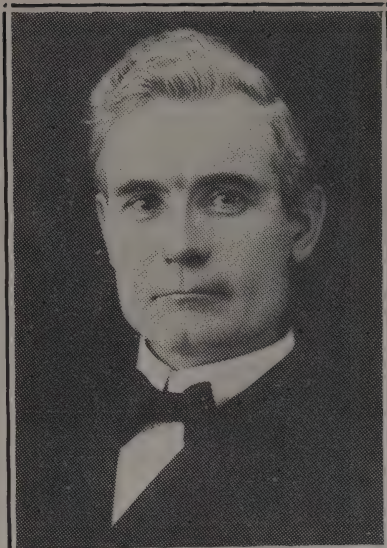


THE ST. PETRI CONFIRMATION CLASS, 1931

Back row—Thelma Wierson, June Teig, Hjalmar Nelson, Helen Engebritson, Mary Jane Jacobsen. Front row—Frances Bartlett, Herman Torkelson, Rev. Scarvie, Harold Henryson, Judith Henryson



MRS. G. O. PAULSRUD



REV. G. O. PAULSRUD

Pastor of Bethel church
Nearly 30 years



BETHEL LUTHERAN CHURCH



THE BETHEL LADIES AID SOCIETY

Back row—Stena Heggen, Mrs. Chris Holt, Mrs. Erick Holland, Mrs. Albert Munson, Mrs. Rasmus Sunnes, Mrs. Sam Jacobson, Mrs. Dedrick Munson, Mrs. Peter Quam, Mrs. Torger Rafdall, Mrs. Mary Lacker, Mrs. Isaac Hope, Mrs. Gunnar Wike, Mrs. Torris Nereim, Mrs. H. O. Ersland, Mrs. Pete Christenson. Middle row—Mrs. John Heggen, Mrs. Henry Sevold, Mrs. T. A. Ostrem, Mrs. P. M. Phillops, Mrs. L. Townswick, Julia Sande, Louise Henderson, Mrs. Oscar Henderson, Thea Sand, Mrs. Helen Sydness, Mrs. Alfred Christopherson, Mrs. Orville Olson, Mrs. Joe Havnen, Mrs. Lee Doolittle, Mrs. John (Stusvig) Johnson. Front row—Mrs. John Sansgaard, Mrs. Ole Nelson, Mrs. Andrew Thompson, Mrs. Tollef Pederson, Mrs. J. Hodnefield, Mrs. Erick Twedt, Mrs. C. E. Christiansen, Mrs. Omen Enderson, Mrs. Haktor Hill, Mrs. B. O. Grinde, Mrs. Andreas Hovland, Mrs. Hans Beroen, Mrs. Herman Millang, Mrs. Sam Espe.



Rev. L. Eisteinsen
1873-82



Rev. O. Sheldahl
1868-70



ELIM'S LUTHERAN CHURCH
OF RANDALL



Rev. E. Johannesen
1870-73



Rev. G. O. Paulsrud
1901 -



ELIM'S SUNDAY SCHOOL, RANDALL



RANDALL LADIES' AID 24 YEARS AGO

Upper row—Karen Owenson, Mrs. G. Hendrickson, Mrs. John Anderson, Mrs. I. Erickson, Mrs. Ole Hovland, Mrs. Crosley, Mrs. Bertha Randau, Rev. G. O. Paulsrud, Mrs. U. Olson, Mrs. Sam Larson, Mrs. Oscar Henderson and Celia, Mrs. B. Grimsley and Mrs. F. M. Dawson. Middle row—Mrs. Helgeson, Mrs. N. Okland, Mrs. Anna Gydeson, Mrs. Bertha Nelson (Solbjor), Mrs. O. Simonson, Mrs. J. P. Anderson, Mrs. O. Williams, Mrs. H. B. Hanson. Lower row—Mrs. L. Larson, Mrs. J. Jacobson, Mrs. M. Anderson and Viola, Mrs. L. Olson and two children, Mrs. J. Williams and Mrs. G. O. Paulsrud and two children, Gerhardt and Marguerite.



MEMBERS OF ELIM CHURCH 40 YEARS OR MORE

Upper row—P. Millang, P. Owenson, Mrs. S. Swenson, Mrs. Ed Sevold, Ed Sevold, E. Millang. Lower row—Nels Russels, H. Pederson, G. Wallen, H. H. and Andrew Owenson



RANDALL LADIES' AID OF ELIM CHURCH

Upper row—Mrs. Selmer Hia, Mrs. Clarence Larson, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. A. Hovda, Mrs. J. Jacobson, Mrs. Sam Olson, Mrs. Guy Sowers, Miss Anna Tweed, Mrs. P. Okland, Mrs. Orville Anderson, Mrs. M. Teigland, Mrs. Tom Knutson, Mrs. H. Okland, Mrs. Pete Moe, Mrs. John Peterson, Mrs. S. M. Teigland, Mrs. H. Halleland, Mrs. A. Matson, Mrs. Hauge, Mrs. Espeland, Mrs. H. Pederson, Mrs. Borwick, Mrs. Alfred Larson, Mrs. A. Anderson, Mrs. Christ Olson and Mrs. Wolf. Middle row—Mrs. H. Tweedt, Mrs. J. Peterson, Mrs. H. B. Hanson, Mrs. B. Grimsley, Mrs. Peter Owenson, Mrs. J. K. Johnson, Mrs. John Peterson, Mrs. Sam Larson, Mrs. Clausen, Mrs. Martin Olson, Mrs. L. M. Henderson, Mrs. G. O. Paulsrud. Lower row—Mrs. R. Larson, Mrs. Ole J. Sopeland, Miss Rachel Pederson, Mrs. G. Teigland, Mrs. Richard Anderson, Mrs. Obie Hauge, Misses Erma Hauge and Ruth Hoveland.



OKLAND LADIES' AID OF ELIM CHURCH (Randall)

Upper row—Mrs. Orvie Johnson, Mrs. Ivar Thompson, Mrs. L. Raymond, Mrs. H. Johnson, Mrs. M. Teigland, Mrs. J. Miller, Mrs. S. Holland, Mrs. J. Okland and Agnes Okland. Lower row—Mrs. N. Okland, Mrs. John Larson, Mrs. C. Johnson, Mrs. C. Handeland, Mrs. S. Swenson, Mrs. S. Sunnes, Mrs. Paulsrud.



EAST LADIES' AID OF ELIM CHURCH (Randall)

Upper row—Mrs. M. Jacobson, Mrs. Ed Sevoid, Mrs. H. Olson, Mrs. W. Ege-
mo, Mrs. O. Olson, Mrs. H. Skeie, Mrs. A. Carpenter, Mrs. Jos. Nordskog,
Mrs. H. Hove, Mrs. E. Millang, Mrs. L. Skeie, Mrs. Elmer Johnson, Mrs. A.
Henderson, Mrs. Arthur Knutson. Lower row—Mrs. S. Larson, Mrs. Theo.
Carpenter, Mrs. Sam Jacobson, Mrs. B. Borwick, Mrs. S. Skeie, Mrs. G. O.
Paulsrud, Mrs. O. Swenson, Mrs. Christ Teig, Mrs. A. Mickelson.



THE CHOIR OF ELIM CHURCH (Randall)

Upper row—Lloyd Okland, S. M. Teigland, P. J. Okland, Ben Teig, Carl Teig,
Hally Swenson, Martin Teig, Arthur Anderson, Ralph Okland. Middle row—
Dorothy Teigland, Grace Anderson, Mamie Johnson, Beulah Okland, Alvina
Olson, Thelma Knutson, Evelyn Thompson, Clarice Knutson, Charlotte Thomp-
son, Clara Okland. Lower row—Genevieve Pederson, Mrs. Obie Hauge, Ruth
Hoveland, Mrs. Selmer Hia, Mrs. P. G. Pederson, Alvina Johnson, Olava Hia,
Mrs. Richard Larson, Mrs. Ole Sopeland.



MANAGEMENT, OLD PEOPLE'S HOME

Front row—Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Molstre (Supt. and Matron), Director B. T. Holm
 Back row—Directors Annas J. Henryson, Rev. P. Buland, Rev.
 Edw. Duea and H. T. Hauge



INMATES AND EMPLOYEES AT OLD PEOPLE'S HOME

First row—N. Sydness, Kristina Johnson, Mrs. Sydness, Maria Nessa, M. Hodnefield, Ellen Sampson, Mrs. Benson, Kjestina Monson, Andrew Ness. Second row—Jos. L. Johnson, Helena Johnson, Carrie Gunderson, Mrs. I. Granville, Ellen Johnson, Mrs. Jensen, Ole Reivem. Third row—Andrew Stevens, J. Stueland, B. Oppen, Carl Pederson, K. Hauge. Fourth row—Harry Molstre, A. C. Molstre, Mrs. A. C. Molstre, Mrs. O. T. Brattebo. (Right to left.)



MEMBERS OF THE GRACE EVANG. LADIES AID

Front row—Mesdames C. M. Abrahamson, Louise Knudson, W. C. Spencer, Chris E. Knoke, Chester Martens and daughter, Geo. Baldus, A. J. Anderson, F. A. Fuller, Albert Sowers, Fred Williams, Andrew Miller, F. W. Heers, Emelia Elwell, J. H. Johnson, L. A. Jorstead, Rev. and Mrs. Fuller, Mrs. Martin Jensen, Mrs. Emma Christenson. Second row—Mesdames Chas. W. Wier, J. C. Jensen, Wm. A. Craig, G. H. Kirby, H. M. Kahley, J. O. Heuer, John M. Johnson, Mrs. Thompson of Silverton, Ore., Bertha Overland-Johnson, Hans S. Nelson, Emma Paulson, N. P. Paulson, Nellie Yockey, Nina Wiggins, Burnice Tressler, Helge Johnson, L. W. Valline. Back row—Mesdames Fred Corneliussen, E. A. Rhoades, J. W. Romp, Roy Baldus, Lew Johnson, N. P. Larson, Stanton James, R. G. Kalseim, John L. Anderson, O. A. Olson, Fred Hendriksen, Henry West, Art Frandson, Chas. Canady, Guy Heers, L. P. Anderson, Nels Martens, Chas. Reischauer, Pete Peterson.



FOURTH OF JULY IN NORWAY

This picture was taken in 1922, when Mr. and Mrs. Ole Thorsbakken and Mr. O. T. Henryson observed the Fourth there by displaying the Star Spangled Banner, as you see.



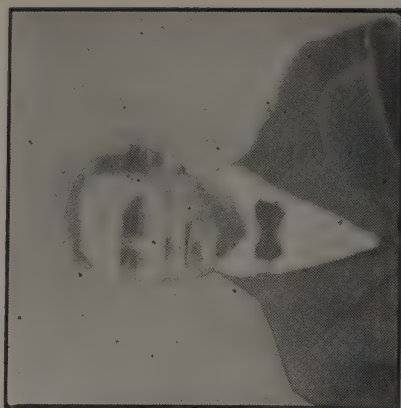
OLD HOME OF MRS. OLE THORSBAKKEN IN NORWAY

This picture was taken in 1922 when she and her husband visited the place.
A striking view on that high rock.

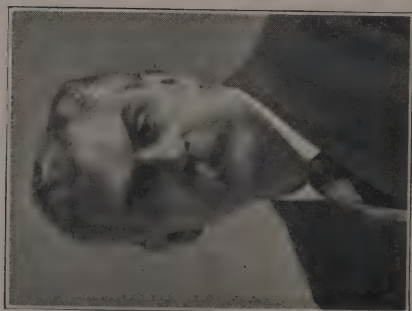
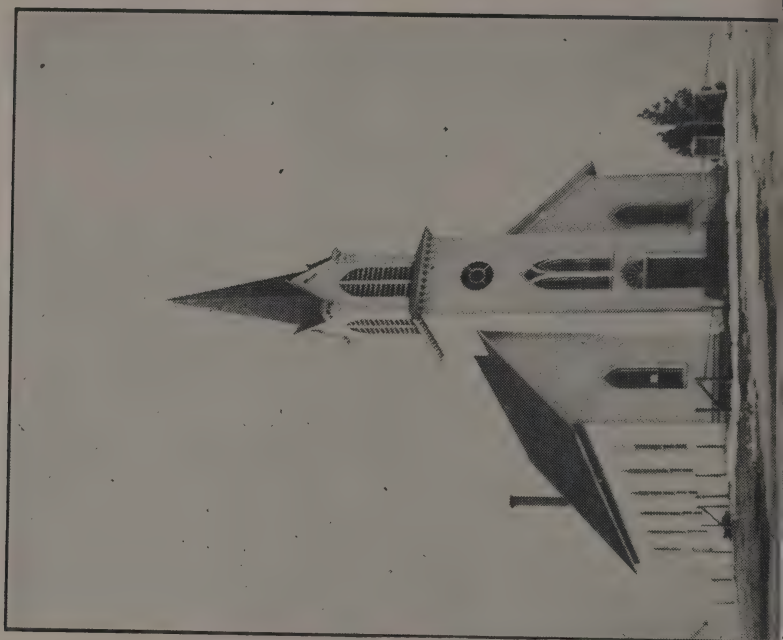


A BAND OF THE LATE 90's

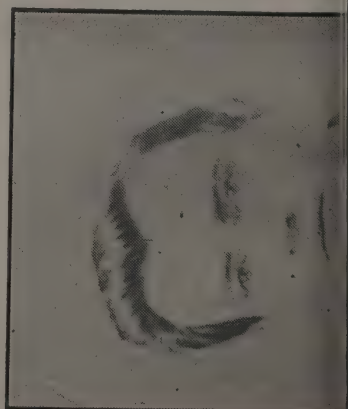
A combination of Story City and Roland bands which played at Watkins well for a special occasion, in about the year 1897. In it you will see the following well known faces: Seated—P. J. Christenson, A. M. Henderson, Ole Mathison, Dr. C. B. McCarty, Alex Henderson, Michael Peterson, Rasmus Larson. Front row, standing—Hans L. Dale, drummer; Jake Williams, Albert Christenson, Luther Quam, T. M. Larson, M. O. Anderson, John Egenes, Carl Anderson, Olaus Osheim, E. L. Ericson, Ben Amlund, H. T. Hegland, E. M. Henderson. Second row—Henry Cole, Henry Peterson, M. J. Swan, Albert Henderson, Geo. Larson of Roland, Adolph Hemness, Lewis Charlson, Tom H. Wicks. Rear rows—Carl Jacobson, Henry Hanson, Severin Langland, Lewis Hegland, Herman Jorgenson, Lewis Cole.



REV. LOUIS KOLB
Pastor 1906-1920



REV. TH. STEPHAN
Present pastor



REV. L. WINTER
Pastor 1868-1871

REV. G. ENDRES
Pastor 1871-1879



ST. PAUL'S CHURCH CHOIR

Front row—Elsie Lutjen, Verda Michel, Elsie Moeller, Caroline Moeller.
Second row—Mrs. G. C. Michel, Mrs. Geo. Moeller, Alma Murken, Irma
Murken, Edna Stephan. Third row—Elmer Koch, Herman Krug, Geo. C.
Michel, Erwin Koch, Director J. L. Koch, Mrs. J. L. Koch. Back row—
John Murken, Albert Moeller, Cleo Peter, George Moeller.

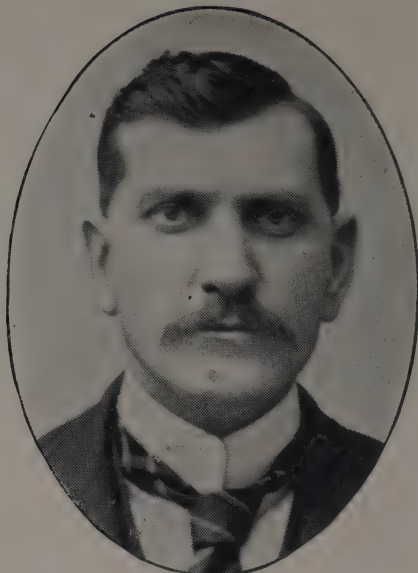


J. L. KOCH
Present School Head



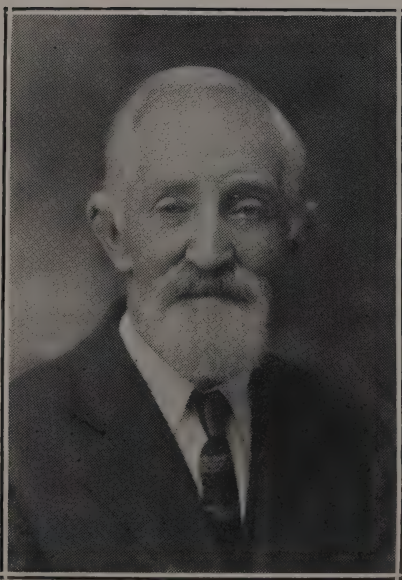
MR. and MRS. JOHN WIRTH

Early Settlers in Lafayette
township



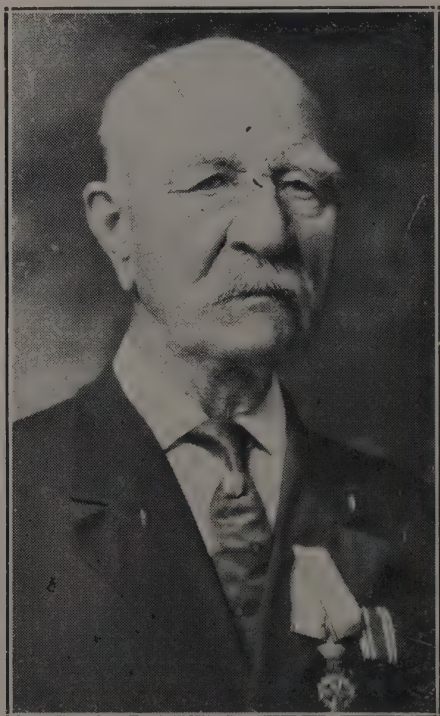
DAN S. OLSON

Old Story Citian now
in California



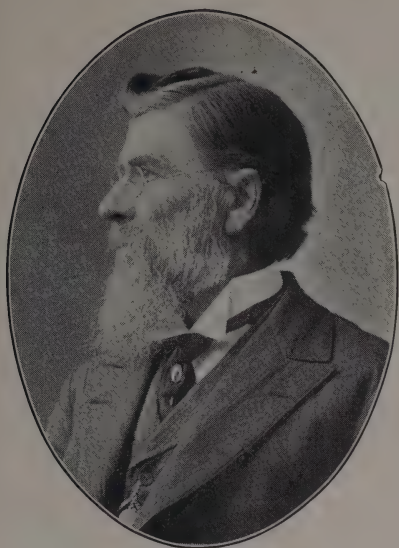
CHRIS JUHL

One of the Old Timers
Who Lives Here



HANS HANSON

Danish Citizen, recently dead, was
Decorated by King of Denmark



L. A. JORSTEAD

He's younger now, having removed his beard. Painter and paperhanger.



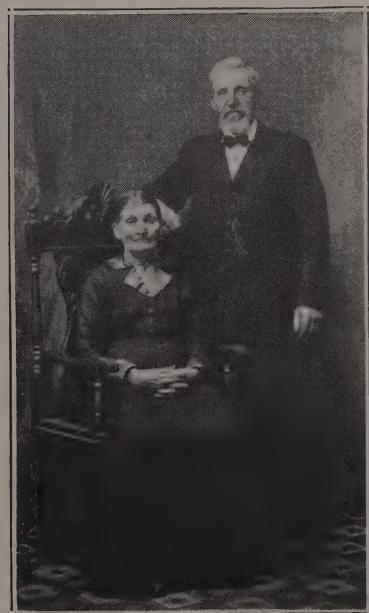
MR. AND MRS. NELS PETERSON

Photo taken in Norway, where Mr. Peterson died while on a visit some years ago. (Relative standing in picture.)



MR. and MRS. JENS HUSTOFT

Early settlers northwest of town



MR. and MRS. ERICK TWEDT

Pioneers Who Now Live in Story City



INTERIOR OF IDSE JEWELRY AND GIFT SHOP



THE TOKHEIM EGG AND POULTRY HOUSE



THE O. B. PETERSON FAMILY

Seated—Mr. and Mrs. Ole B. Peterson. Standing—Carrie Burt, Christian, Inger Witte, Clarence, Leva Sampson, Peter, Christina Johnson



LARS A. TJERNAGEL FAMILY IN 1925

Upper row—Rosie, Ole Andreas, Lars, Barbru, Hactor Johan, Elizabeth, Helen Marie, Gustav, Louise Serine. Lower row—Christen Johan, Agatha Gunhild, Mr. Tjernagel holding Bendick, Mrs. Tjernagel, Anna Ovidie, Johan Arndt.



THE HOME OF MR. AND MRS. O. K. HELVIG

One of the beauty spots of the east part of town



THE T. T. HENRYSON RESIDENCE



Ingram Larson

FRONT OF TEIG'S CLOTHING STORE

C. J. Teig



THE HEGLAND PRODUCE COMPANY

Clifford Erickson, Gerhard Ericson, Mgr. Ben Evenson, Winfred Larson



BURTON GANDRUP
in Drug Business



E. E. SEVAREID
Justice of the Peace



MR. AND MRS. LARS L. DALE
Mr. Dale is the only one of the men who voted at the election for
incorporation of the town in 1881 now living in Story City



HENRY HOVLAND
Retired Farmer

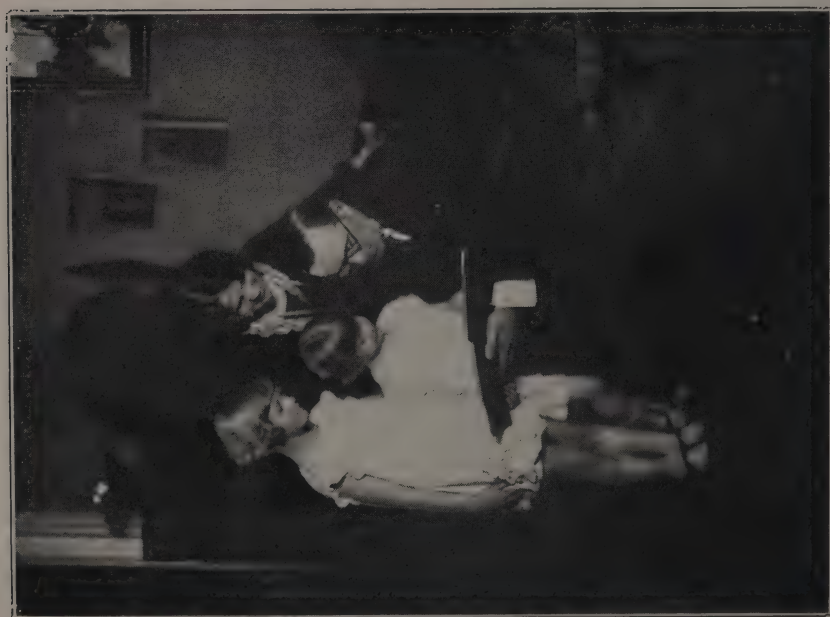


GEORGE KRAMME
Former Druggist



STORY CITY BASEBALL CLUB OF 1931

Front row—Sam Hanson, Arthur Olson, Arnold Peterson, C. C. Smith, Field Manager Bert Hill, General Manager Chas. M. Bartlett. Back row—Charles Bartlett, "Red" Martin, Roscoe Anderson, Ben Severeid, Harry Butcher, Lawrence Tesdall, Arnold Jacobson. The mascot is Abel Tesdall.



REV. H. HALVORSON and FAMILY



GROUP PICTURE TAKEN IN 1927

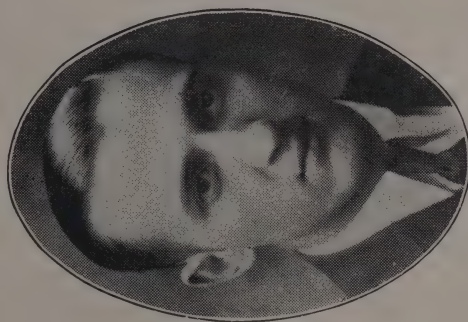
Standing—H. J. Butcher of Garfield, Utah, Raymond Strong, Mrs. L. A. Jorstead, Olive Rosenberger, Mrs. Lars Hill, Mary VanVranken, Dr. H. S. VanVranken, Paul A. Olson, Ingvald Hill, Chas. Bartlett, L. A. Jorstead. Seated—Josie Knutson, Frances Bartlett, Mrs. P. A. Olson, Lena Butcher, and Bertha Bartlett.

(At the left)

Rev. Halvorson is a former pastor of the St. Petri church, now living in Brooklyn, N. Y. Mrs. Halvorson will be remembered as Magnhild Vangsness



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FRANK UTHE'S PLACE, Following Terrific Tornado of May 21, 1918



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Original Log House, still standing on Kimble farm,
southeast of Story City

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